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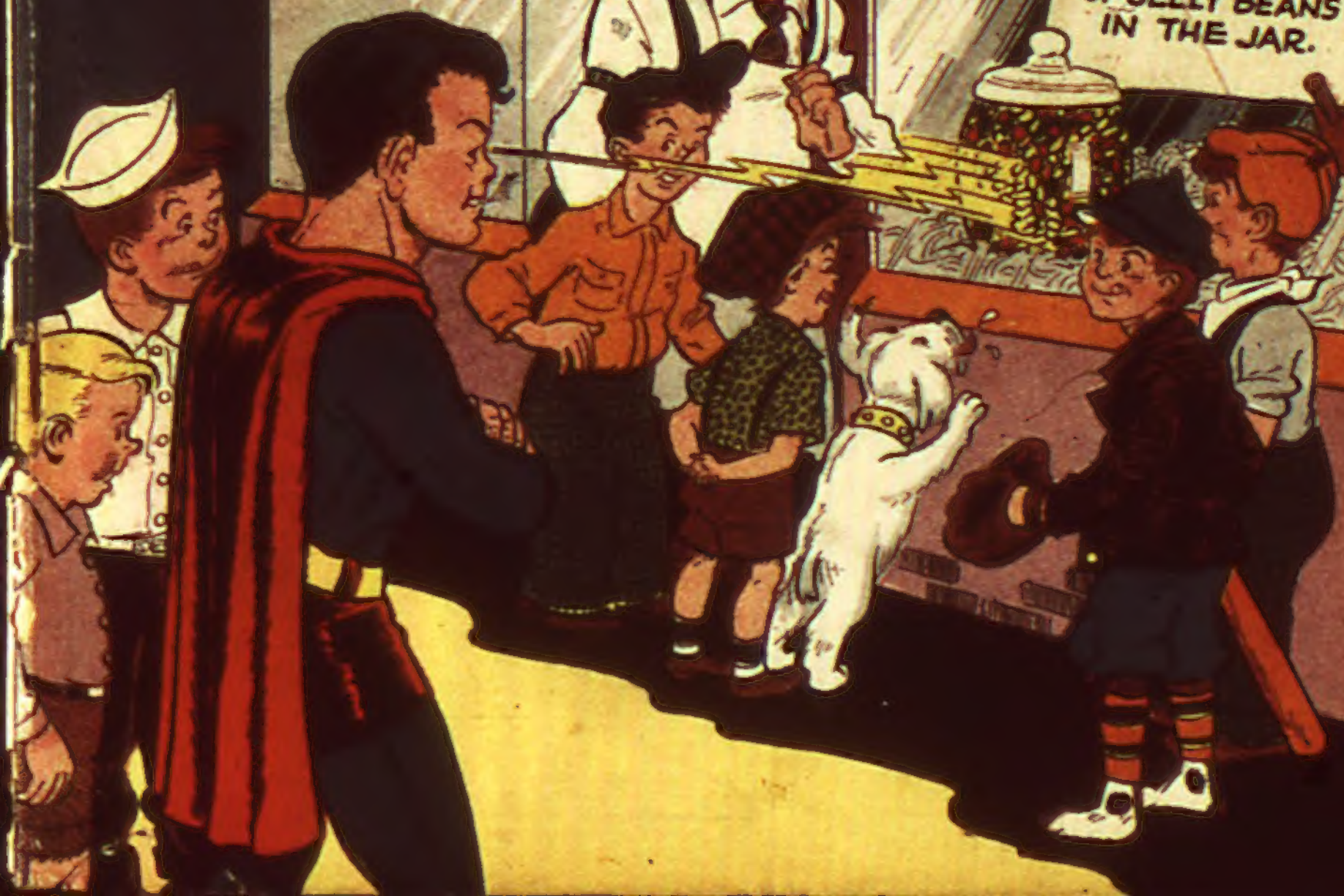
SUPERBOY

Roger Woods

CORRECT!

THERE
ARE
EXACTLY
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ALL OF THEM
FREE
IF YOU CAN GUESS
THE EXACT NUMBER
OF JELLY BEANS
IN THE JAR.



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SUPERBOY

by JERRY SIEGEL
AND
JOE SHUSTER

WHEN A GLITTERING PALACE APPEARS AS IF BY MAGIC...AND A TOWERING GIANT TURNS MIDGET TO PLEASE A TINY SORCERESS—WHY, THAT'S STRICTLY THE BUSINESS OF THOSE WHO DEAL IN SUCH FANTASTIC MATTERS! BUT WHEN THE "SORCERY" GETS OUT OF HAND AND IMPERILS OTHERS, IT BECOMES SUPERBOY'S BUSINESS—AND ALL HIS AMAZING POWERS ARE NEEDED TO COMBAT THE THREAT OF...
"THE PALACE OF FANTASY!"

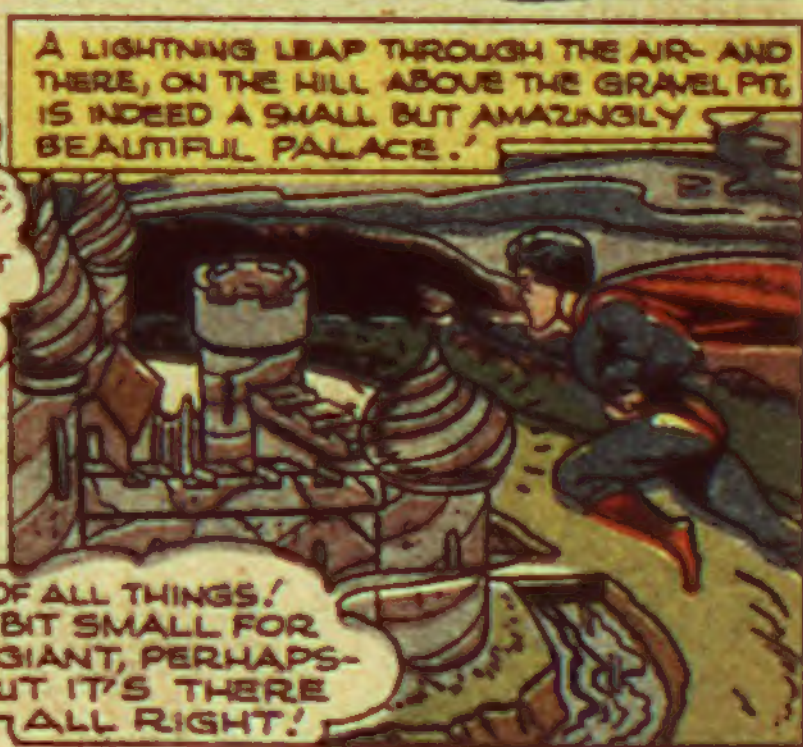
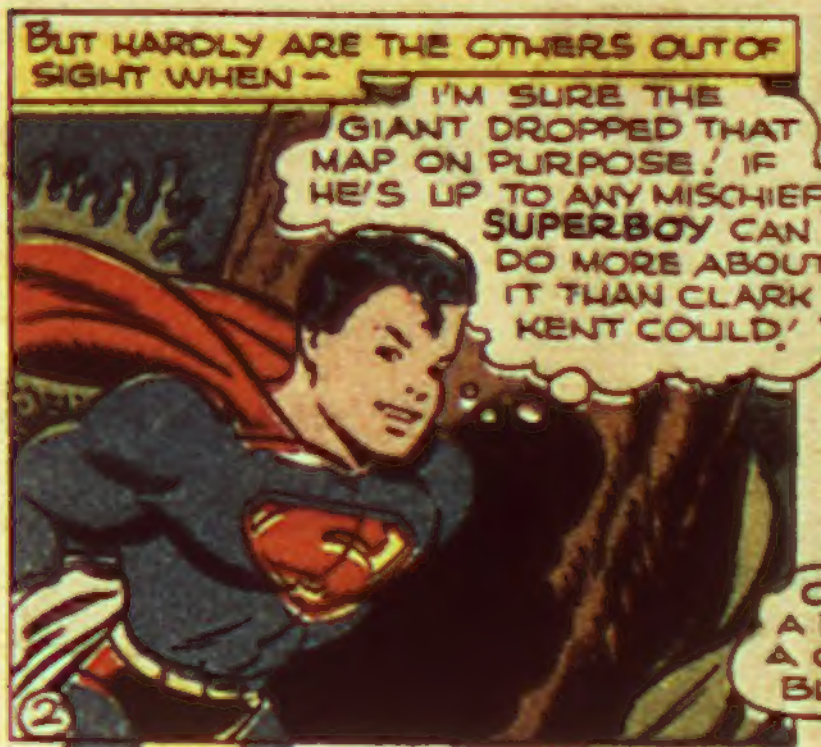
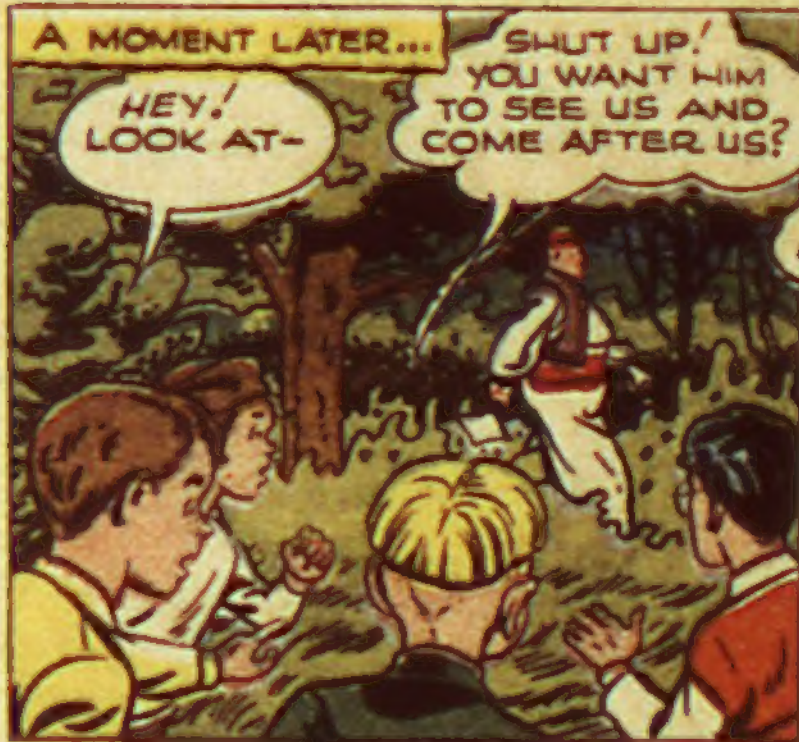
CLARK KENT AND THREE OF HIS SCHOOLMATES, ON A SPECIMEN-HUNTING EXPEDITION FOR THEIR BOTANY CLASS, DO NOT SUSPECT THAT THEY ARE OBSERVED...

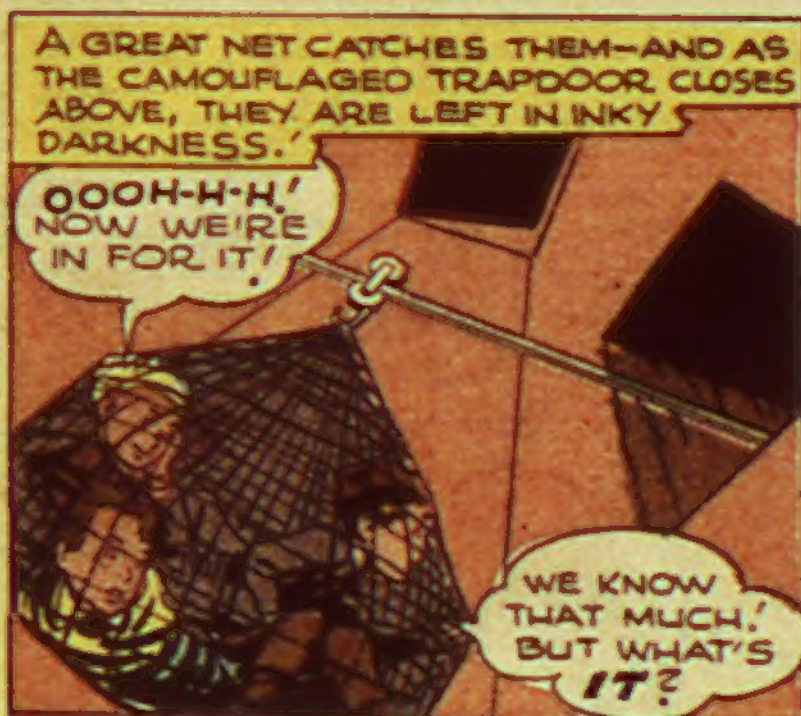
WHICH, PERHAPS, IS JUST AS WELL FOR THEIR PEACE OF MIND!

HERE'S SOME MOSS THAT LOOKS STRANGE TO ME!

GEE, CLARK, I GUESS WE GOT ABOUT ENOUGH STUFF TO SATISFY OUR TEACHER!

A MAGNIFICENT OPPORTUNITY! THE PRINCESS BLENDA WOULD NEVER FORGIVE ME IF I MISSED IT.







AND NOW AS SUPERBOY STRAINS AGAINST THE PRESSURE OF A POWERFUL MOTOR, LET US TAKE NOTE OF WHAT HIS MIRACULOUS VISION HAS SHOWN HIM...

IT'S STOPPING-BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG I CAN HOLD IT! AND I DON'T DARE LET GO TILL-

ABRUPTLY, THE WHIRRING SOUND OF THE MOTOR CHANGES TO A SNARL AND THERE IS THE SOUND OF RENDING METAL UNDERGROUND!

THERE! IT WON'T COME DOWN ANY FARTHER! NOW OUT WE GO!

OH, BOY!

THE CABLE SHAFT IS TURNING - AND THE CLUTCH LEVER HAS JAMMED SO I CAN'T TURN IT OFF! THE WHOLE PLACE WILL COME DOWN AROUND OUR EARS!

WE'LL BE KILLED!

HUH-? SUPERBOY!

OH, DEAR-NOW THERE'LL BE TROUBLE!

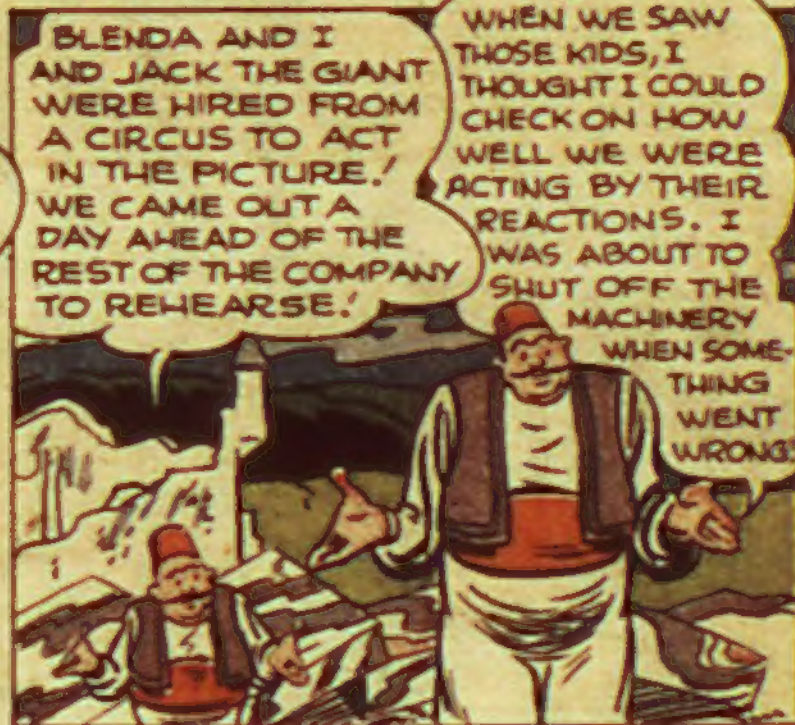
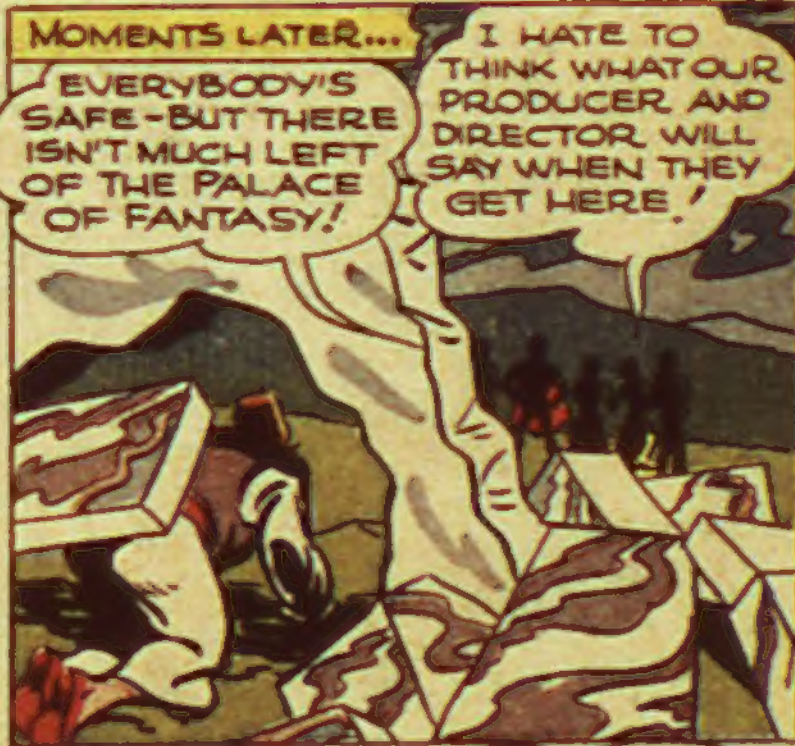
ALREADY HUGE SLABS OF MARBLE, YANKED OUT OF PLACE BY CONCEALED CABLES, PLUNGE DOWNWARD FROM WALLS AND CEILING!

NO TIME TO STOP THE MACHINERY NOW! I'VE GOT TO GET THEM OUT OF HERE.

MAYBE THIS IS NO WAY TO HANDLE A PRINCESS- AND A SORCERESS, BESIDES-BUT IT'S FOR YOUR OWN GOOD!

PRINCESS AND SORCERESS, NOTHING! I'M JUST A SCARED YOUNG LADY WHO WANTS OUT!

OH-H-H!



MOVING AT TERRIFIC SPEED, SUPERBOY FITS BROKEN SLABS OF MARBLE TOGETHER LIKE PIECES OF A JIGSAW PUZZLE-AND WEDGES THEM TIGHTLY IN PLACE!

CAN HE DO IT? HE'S PRACTICALLY DONE IT!

SUPERBOY CAN DO ANYTHING!



HE'S EVEN POLISHING IT!

IT LOOKS BETTER THAN IT DID IN THE FIRST PLACE!



THERE! NOTHING LEFT TO DO BUT ATTACH THE CABLES, MAKE SOME MINOR REPAIRS TO THE MACHINERY-AND HOPE NO MORE MISTAKES HAPPEN!

THANKS A MILLION! YOU CAN BET I WON'T LURE ANY MORE STRANGERS HERE.



AND YOU WON'T TELL A SOUL?

NOT TILL THE PICTURE IS SHOWN, ANYWAY!

AND NONE OF US WILL EITHER-HONEST!



AND SO, PRESENTLY...

WELL, YOU WERE GONE LONG ENOUGH! DID YOU SEE THE GIANT AGAIN?

DID WE? UH-THAT IS-WELL, THERE REALLY ISN'T VERY MUCH WE CAN TELL!



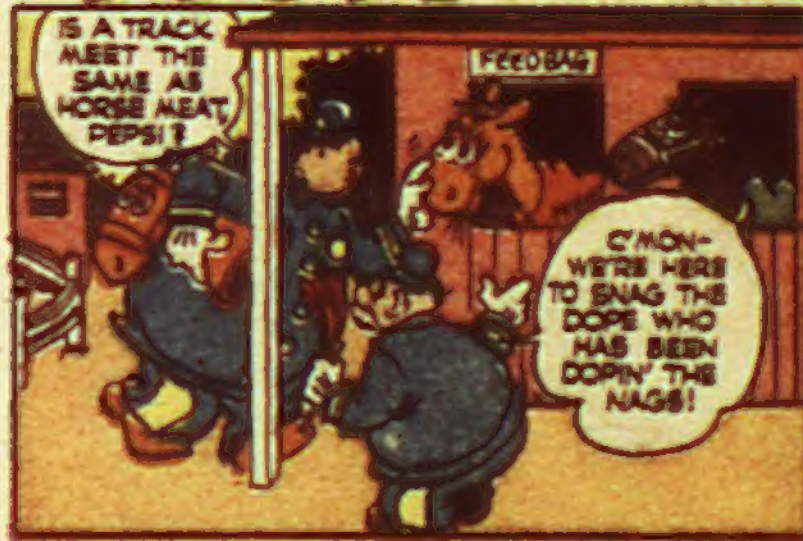
ANYWAY, LIKE I SAID, THERE WAS NO PALACE OF FANTASY AROUND HERE LAST WEEK-AND WHO COULD BUILD ONE ALL OF A SUDDEN?

NOBODY I KNOW-UNLESS SUPERBOY TOOK THE NOTION!



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"PEPSI" THE PEPSI-COLA COP



ARROW

AND THE
FURL THE
"PENNANTS
OF PLUNDER!"

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NOTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT THIS SCENE—A GUARDED PAYROLL MESSENGER GOES TO THE BANK...

BUT TO THE ALERT EYES OF OLIVER QUEEN AND ROY HARPER...



THIS WILL BE LIKE TAKING CANDY AWAY FROM A KID!

THEY CAN KEEP THE CANDY. IT'S DOUGH WE'RE AFTER!



OLIVER, THAT MAN WITH THE FAKE MUSTACHE AND GLASSES IS THE GANGSTER, VINNY VOPEL!

—AND FOUR THUGS WITH HIM! BACK TO THE ARROWCAR!

MOMENTS LATER...



THE GREEN ARROW!



WOW! I DIDN'T HAVE THAT MONEY VERY LONG!

HERE'S SOMETHING FOR YOU TO BANK!



NOW FOR YOU, VOPEL!

NOT SO FAST, GREEN ARROW—OR I'LL DRILL THIS GUY!



TAKE CARE OF THIS GUY, GREEN ARROW! WE'RE GOING PLACES!

SEEKING ESCAPE, THE THUGS DART INTO A NEARBY DOORWAY...

WE'RE IN A FLAG FACTORY, VINNY!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE - THE BACK WAY!



SHOW US HOW TO GET OUT OF HERE, PUNK! AAAGH! THE GREEN ARROW!

LET'S SEE YOU FIGHT WITHOUT A GUN, VOPEL!



HAVING A BANNER DAY, VOPEL?

MAYBE SOMETHING IN THIS LINE WILL INTEREST YOU.



NOW YOU BOYS NEED STARS AND STRIPES TO COMPLETE YOUR ENSEMBLE!

HERE IS WHERE YOU SEE STARS - YOU'LL GET YOUR STRIPES SOON ENOUGH!



... AND VOPEL GETS HIS STRIPES...

THOSE FLAGS TRIPPED ME UP - BUT IT WAS WORTH IT! THEY GAVE ME AN IDEA THAT'S GOING TO PAY OFF BIG!



AND, A FEW WEEKS LATER...

THERE'S THE VAN ALST DUMP! NOW ACT LIKE COLLEGE BOYS!

DIS WILL BE EASY FOR US, PROF!



INSIDE THE VAN ALST MANSION —



THE PARTY GETS ROUGH...



MEANWHILE, WORKMEN PUT UP DECORATIONS FOR A BANKERS' BANQUET...

THIS WILL BE SOME AFFAIR! ALL MILLIONAIRES.

THEY'LL CARRY LOTS OF DOUGH, TOO. THERE'S GONNA BE A BOND AUCTION.

LATER—WHEN THE BANQUET BEGINS...

IN TWO MINUTES I'LL PULL THE SWITCH AND YOU CAN GO TO WORK COLLECTING TIPS!

AS THE SWITCH IS PULLED, OUT OF THE DECORATIONS DROP LITTLE GAS-FILLED BALLS...

WHAT'S THAT?

I CAN'T BREATHE! AIR! AIR!

BOY, OH, BOY! WHAT RICH PICKINGS!

NEXT DAY... AT OLIVER QUEEN'S HOME...

PENNANTS, FLAGS, DECORATIONS—THEY'VE BEEN MIXED UP IN SEVERAL RECENT CRIMES!

HMM! LET'S HAVE A TALK WITH THAT DECORATOR!

LATER... AT THE DECORATOR'S SHOP...

I HAVE FLAG JOBS EVERY DAY, GREEN ARROW! TODAY IT'S A WEDDING, TOMORROW A GRADUATION, SATURDAY THE ANCHOR YACHT CLUB REGATTA!

THE ANCHOR YACHT CLUB—A MILLIONAIRE OUTFIT!



SO, TO THE ANNUAL REGATTA OF THE FASHIONABLE ANCHOR YACHT CLUB...

WHAT AN AFFAIR! EVERY RICH MAN IN TOWN IS HERE!

TONIGHT'S DANCE WILL BE THE BIGGEST OF THE YEAR!



AND THERE ARE UNINVITED GUESTS ALSO!

THAT CHECK-ROOM IS BULGING WITH VALUABLES CHECKED WHEN THE GUESTS PUT ON THEIR BATHING SUITS.

ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS GRAB WHAT WE WANT!



THEN, THE SWITCH IS PULLED AND ELECTRICITY SETS THE FLAG WIRES TO BURNING!



SCRAM, YOU! COME BACK FOR YOUR STUFF LATER—MUCH LATER! HA, HA!

GET OUT OF THERE! WE'RE TAKING OVER STARTING NOW!



AT THAT MOMENT, OUTSIDE THE CLUB...

THERE—THE ARROWCAR WILL SPIKE THEIR GETAWAY!

FIRE! THIS IS IT, G.A.!



DON'T YOU KNOW IT'S IMPOLITE TO POINT?

I THINK WE MET BEFORE!





THE PISTOL THAT SPEEDY KNOCKS
SKYWARD SNAPS A GLOWING WIRE...

VOPEL! SO
YOU'RE THE
FLAG-HAPPY
CROOK—
OH!



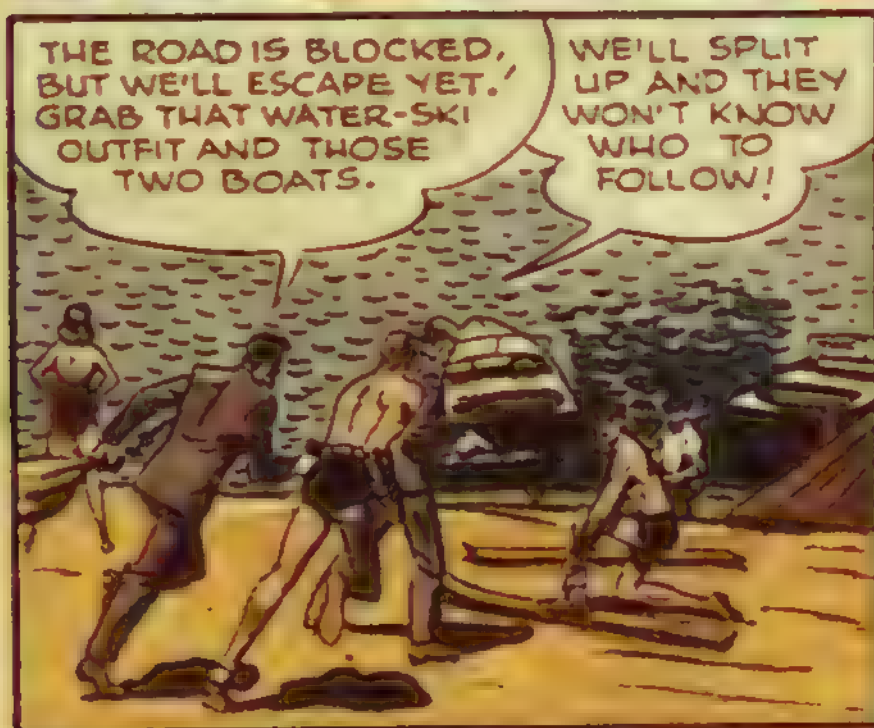
I'M ALL RIGHT—JUST
STUNNED— UP IN A
MINUTE! FOLLOW
THEM, SPEEDY! DON'T
LET 'EM GET
AWAY!

SO
LONG,
GREEN
ARROW!



THE ROAD IS BLOCKED,
BUT WE'LL ESCAPE YET!
GRAB THAT WATER-SKI
OUTFIT AND THOSE
TWO BOATS.

WE'LL SPLIT
UP AND THEY
WON'T KNOW
WHO TO
FOLLOW!



SECONDS LATER...

AFTER THEM,
CAP!

YOU'RE
TOO
LATE!



I CAN'T
OVERHAUL
THEM! THEY'RE
TOO FAST!

BUT NOT
AS FAST
AS MY
ARROWS!

MY GOSH!—
I'VE BEEN
TORPEDOED!
HELP!





BACK ON THE
YACHT CLUB
FLOAT...

THIS WAY, GREEN
ARROW! THIS IS YOUR
ONLY WAY TO CATCH
THEM.



THEY LIKE TO PLAY
WITH FLAGS, SO WE'LL
TEACH THEM A TRICK
IN THEIR OWN
GAME!

WE'RE
RIGHT
ABOVE
THEM,
GREEN ARROW!

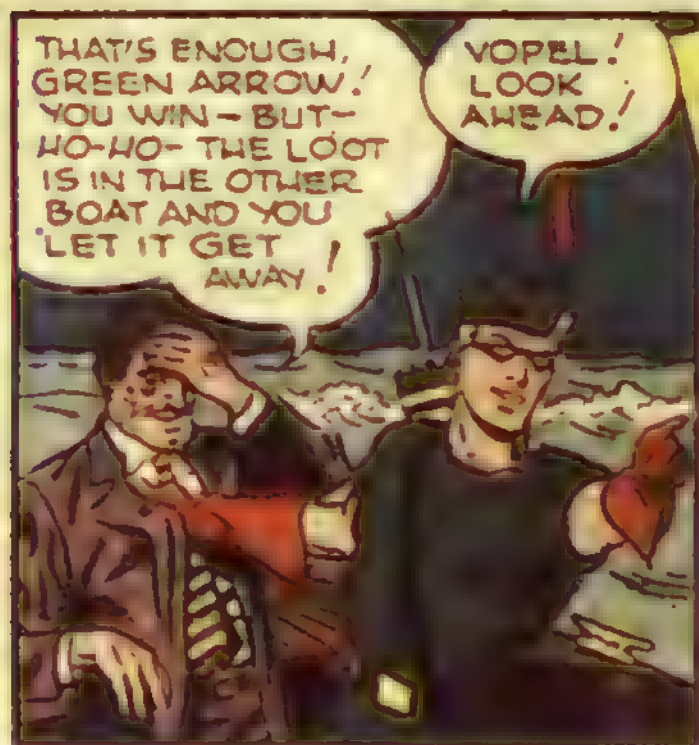


THIS ARROW WILL
TAKE CARE OF ONE OF
THEM- AND I'LL HANDLE
THE OTHER MYSELF.



NEVER
MISS THE
BOAT-THAT'S
MY MOTTO,
VOPEL!

AAARRGH
!!!



THAT'S ENOUGH,
GREEN ARROW!
YOU WIN- BUT-
HO-HO- THE LOOT
IS IN THE OTHER
BOAT AND YOU
LET IT GET
AWAY!

VOPEL!
LOOK
AHEAD!

AND
A HALF
MILE
AHEAD...

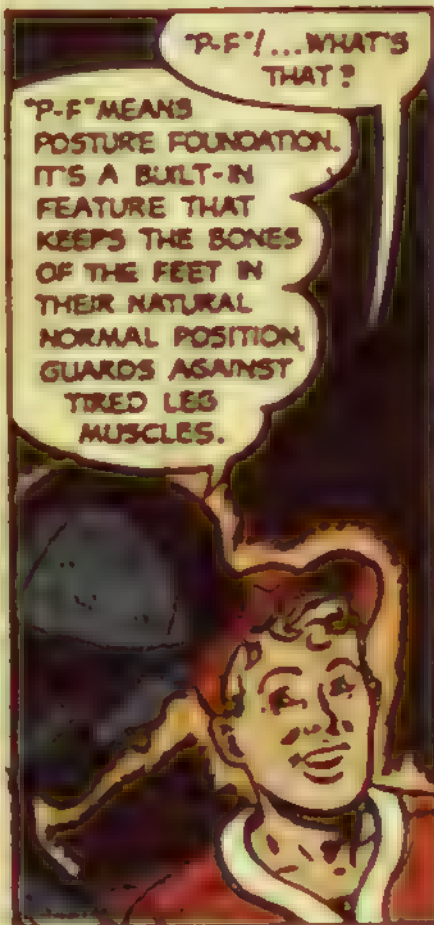
I
GIVE
UP! DON'T
SHOOT!

GIVE UP? WE THOUGHT YOU WERE
IN DISTRESS- FLYING THE NATIONAL
COLORS UPSIDE DOWN BUT A GOOD
JAIL WILL CURE YOUR KIND
OF DISTRESS!



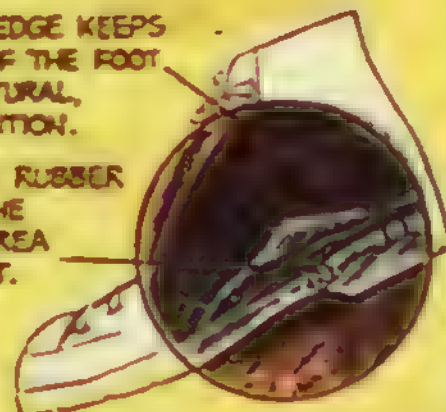
THE END

5-INNING FLASH FINDS HIMSELF



HERE'S WHY "P-F" GIVES YOU MORE STAYING POWER

1. THIS RIGID WEDGE KEEPS THE BONES OF THE FOOT IN THEIR NATURAL, NORMAL POSITION.
2. THIS SPONGE RUBBER PROTECTS THE SENSITIVE AREA OF THE FOOT.



"P-F" MEANS POSTURE FOUNDATION—A PATENTED FEATURE FOUND ONLY IN CANVAS SHOES MADE BY B.F. Goodrich or HOOD RUBBER COMPANY



OTT HOLDS SIX MAJOR NATIONAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS EVERY TIME HE HITS A HOMER, SCORES OR DRIVES IN A RUN, DRAWS A WALK, OR HITS FOR AN EXTRA BASE -- HE SENDS A LEAGUE RECORD ZOOMING

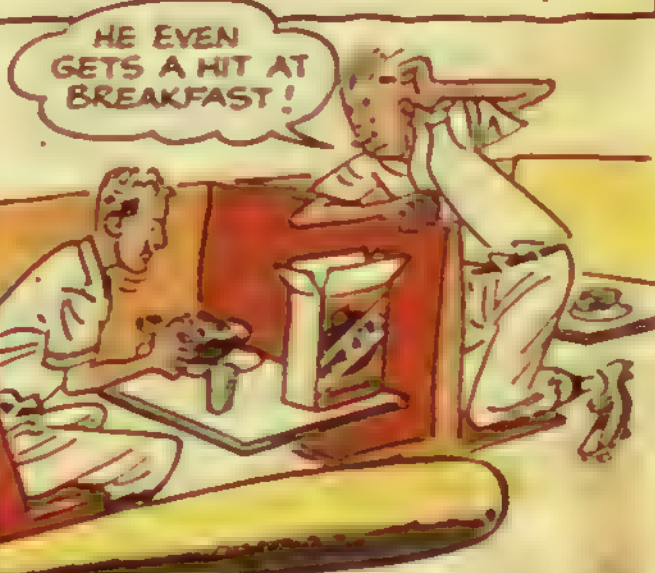


NUMBER ONE IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE HIT PARADE, OTT HAS WALLOPED 510 HOMERS (210 MORE THAN THE SECOND HIGH MAN) HE HAS HIT TWO HOMERS IN A SINGLE GAME 49 TIMES

Mel
OTT



CHAMPION RECORD BREAKER OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE IS THE OUT-FIELDER-MANAGER OF THE NEW YORK GIANTS



"THE DISH I TAKE FOR STARTING MY BREAKFAST IS THAT GOOD OLD FAVORITE, WHEATIES--'BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS'." SAYS CHAMPION MEL OTT. "WHEATIES WITH PLENTY OF MILK AND FRUIT REALLY HIT THE SPOT." A SWELL TRAINING DISH TOO! GOOD WHOLE WHEAT FLAKES--WHEATIES. LOADED WITH THE KIND OF CHAMPION NOURISHMENT YOU CAN USE PLENTY OF

YOU CAN LEARN ABOUT THE BATTING FORM OF BIG LEAGUE HITTERS (LIKE MEL OTT) IN "WANT TO BE A BASEBALL CHAMPION?"--ONE OF 14 BOOKS IN WHEATIES FAMOUS LIBRARY OF SPORTS. SEE BACK OF YOUR WHEATIES PACKAGE FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO GET YOUR BOOKS



Johnny Quick

and his
MAGIC
FORMULA

THOUGH TUBBY WATTS IS ANXIOUS TO LOSE SOME TONNAGE, HE HAS NO DESIRE TO LOSE HIS LIFE! BUT THAT'S WHAT ALMOST HAPPENS WHEN MULROONEY'S HEALTH FARM TURNS OUT TO BE A DECIDEDLY UNHEALTHY PLACE FOR BOTH TUBBY AND JOHNNY QUICK. AND ONLY WHEN THE KING OF SPEED SUPPLIES A DIET OF FISTS AND FAST ACTION TO THE PROPER PATIENTS, DO HE AND HIS FAT FRIEND MAKE A MIRACULOUS RECOVERY WHEN...

"TUBBY REDUCES!"

BEFORE

AFTER



ACE CAMERAMAN JOHNNY CHAMBERS, AND HIS FRIEND, TUBBY WATTS, POSE FOR A TYPICAL ACTION SHOT...

NOT BAD COFFEE THEY HAVE HERE.

COFFEE'S OKAY, BUT I GOTTA HAVE SOMETHING SOLID WITH IT.

HIYA, BOYS!

BROADWAY BAINES, THE CORNY COLUMNIST! MY EYES MUST BE GOING BACK ON ME!

SURPRISED TO SEE ME LOOKING LIKE THIS, HUH?

WHY, BROADWAY, YOU USED TO BE FATTER THAN ME! YOU MUST HAVE HAD A TERRIBLE TIME REDUCING.

JOHNNY, YOU'RE WRONG. I ATE ALL I WANTED, DIDN'T KILL MYSELF DOING EXERCISE, AND I HAD A WONDERFUL TIME.

I DID IT AT MUL-ROONEY'S HEALTH FARM. HE'S GOT A SYSTEM FOR MAKING FAT MEN THIN AND THIN MEN FAT.

IT ISN'T POSSIBLE.

GOSH! I'D SURE LIKE TO BE THIN!

AT THAT MOMENT IN A NEIGHBORING BOOTH...

ANOTHER THING MULROONEY MAKES SURE YOU GET IS QUIET. EVEN A HERMIT WOULD LIKE IT.

HEY, HEAR THAT, SLATS?

I SURE DO, PORKY.

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW BEFORE THE COPS FIND OUT WE PULLED THAT RANK JOB... THIS SOUNDS JUST LIKE THE HIDEOUT WE'RE LOOKING FOR.

ONLY, THERE'S ONE THING. ONCE WE REACH THE PLACE, WE DON'T PULL NO MORE JOBS. NOTHIN' TO MAKE PEOPLE SUSPICIOUS.

AND SO, A GRAND EXODUS FROM THE CITY TAKES PLACE. AND A WEEK LATER...

GEE, I NEVER THOUGHT THAT TUBBY WOULD ACTUALLY ENJOY GETTING THIN. I THINK I'LL SEE HOW HE'S GETTING ALONG.



AND LATER THAT SAME DAY...

TWELVE MILES! AND NO BUSSES NOR WAGONS IN SIGHT.

NOR TAXIS NOR STREET CARS NUTHER. MISTER, IN THESE PARTS, WHEN WE WANT TO GO PLACES, WE WALK.



WALKING ISN'T BAD, BUT IT'S A LITTLE SLOW. HE ISN'T LOOKING, SO I CAN SPEED THINGS UP A BIT.



JOHNNY CHAMBER'S LIPS FORM MAGIC SYLLABLES...



AND A SPLIT SECOND LATER, JOHNNY QUICK, KING OF SPEED, FLASHES THROUGH THE AIR.



HOPE TUBBY ISN'T SO THIN I CAN'T RECOGNIZE HIM.

ALAS, GREATER DANGERS BESET TUBBY THAN THAT OF DIETING BEYOND RECOGNITION. TO SEE WHY, LET US GO BACK A BIT...

HUH...? SOMEONE DROPPED THAT WALLET.



WHEW, OVER A GRAND! TOO BAD THE BOSS ORDERED US NOT TO PULL ANY JOBS AROUND HERE.

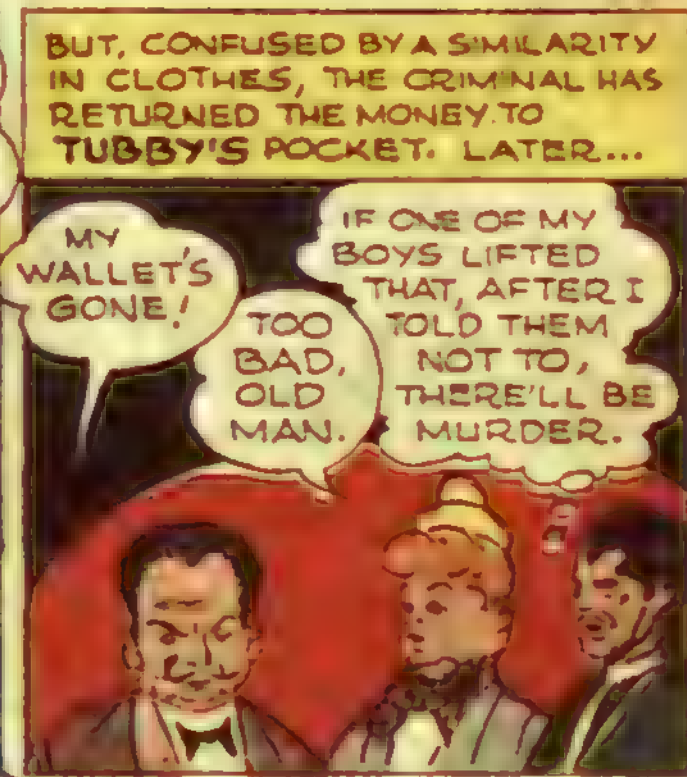




BUT THE GUY THAT DROPPED IT IS GONE...



SO I'LL JUST PUT IT BACK IN HIS POCKET WITHOUT LETTIN' HIM KNOW. THIS IS GOOD - ME PICKIN' A POCKET IN REVOISE.

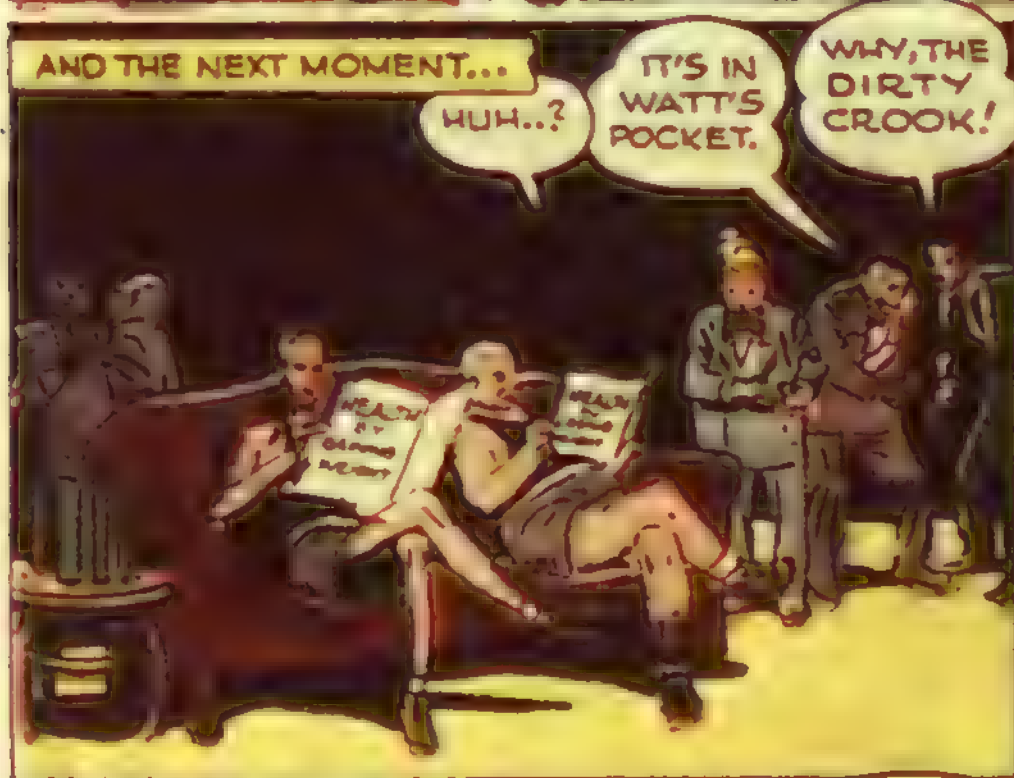


BUT, CONFUSED BY A SIMILARITY IN CLOTHES, THE CRIMINAL HAS RETURNED THE MONEY TO TUBBY'S POCKET. LATER...

MY WALLET'S GONE!

TOO BAD, OLD MAN.

IF ONE OF MY BOYS LIFTED THAT, AFTER I TOLD THEM NOT TO, THERE'LL BE MURDER.

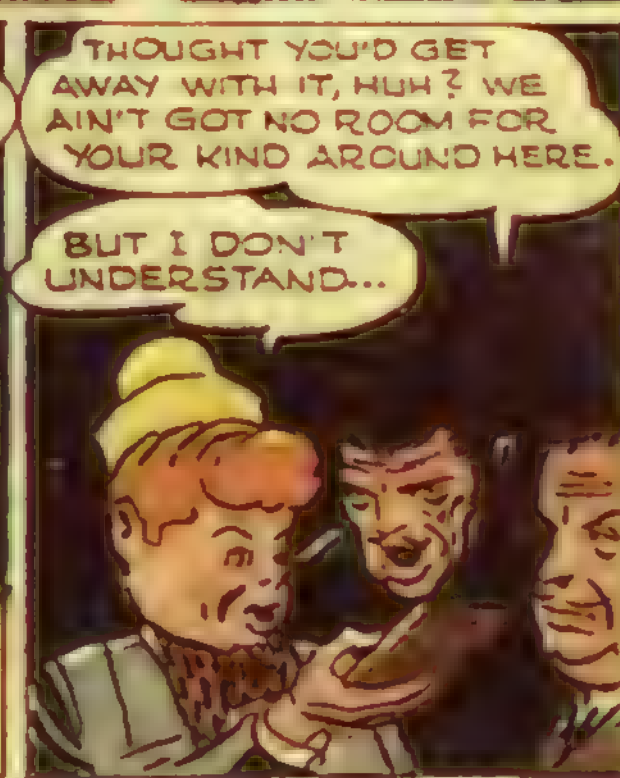


AND THE NEXT MOMENT...

HUH..?

IT'S IN WATT'S POCKET.

WHY, THE DIRTY CROOK!



THOUGHT YOU'D GET AWAY WITH IT, HUH? WE AIN'T GOT NO ROOM FOR YOUR KIND AROUND HERE.

BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND...



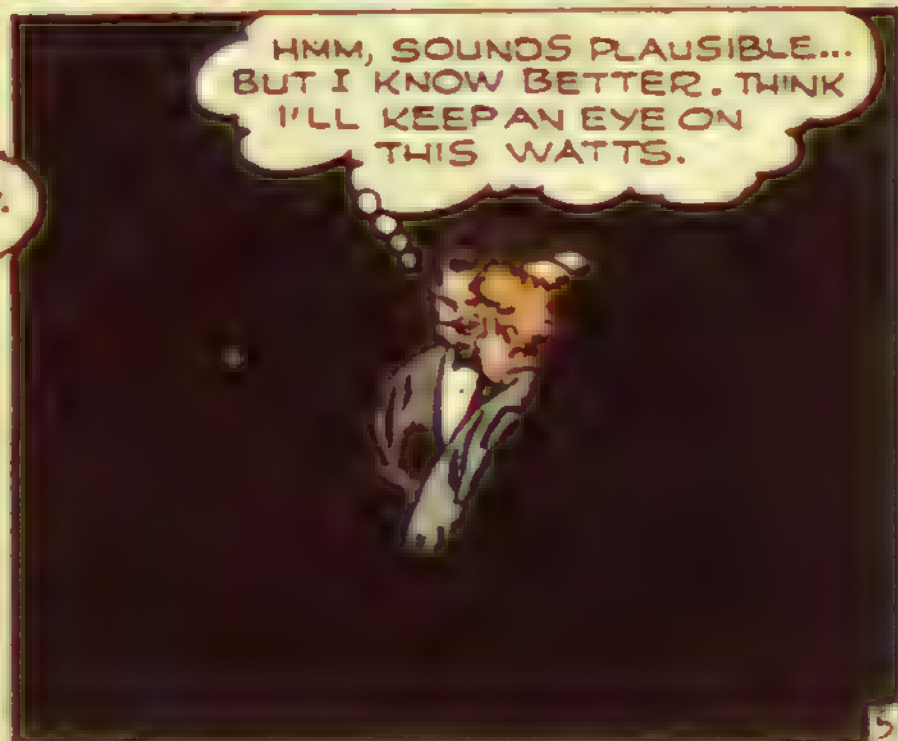
THIS'LL MAKE YOU UNDERSTAND.



JUST A MINUTE BEFORE YOU SUFFER, TUBBY. HE HASN'T HIT YOU YET.

AAAAA....

JOHNNY QUICK!





JOHNNY OBSERVES MULROONEY'S PAINLESS METHODS OF REDUCING. FIRST, A "HEARTY" LUNCH...

SAY, THAT WOULDN'T FEED A CANARY. I THOUGHT MULROONEY DIDN'T BELIEVE IN DIETING.

THIS ISN'T DIETING... THIS IS QUICK STARVATION.



AND LOOK AT

THOSE FELLOWS! THEY'D DO ANYTHING TO STAY OUT OF JAIL... AND HERE THEY ARE CRACKING ROCKS FOR THE FUN OF IT.



NEXT, A BIT OF "RELAXATION..."

WOW! LUCKY FOR YOU, MULROONEY DOESN'T BELIEVE IN EXERCISE.



WHILE, OVER ALL, SLAVE-DRIVING MULROONEY HIMSELF KEEPS AN EAGLE EYE...

THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH BEING YOURSELF... BUT IF A THIN MAN WANTS TO BE FAT, AND A FAT MAN, THIN, HE HAS TO WORK FOR IT.

AND BAINES SAID THIS PLACE WOULD BE A PLEASURE. HE SURE HAS A FUNNY SENSE OF HUMOR!



AND THEN, THAT EVENING...

EXCUSE ME... WOULD YOU MIND TURNING YOUR POCKETS INSIDE OUT AGAIN? OR SHALL I CALL THE POLICE?

HUH?



MY WALLET'S MISSING AGAIN... AND YOU'LL PARDON ME IF I HAVE MY SUSPICIONS.

POLICE? WHAT YOU NEED IS A KEEPER. WHY DON'T YOU STOP LOSING THINGS?



AN.
SLATS HAS
CHANGED HIS
TUNE.

SOUNDS
LIKELY.

YES, IT DOES...
BUT ALL THE SAME,
IF I DON'T HAVE
THAT WALLET
TOMORROW
MORNING, THERE'LL
BE TROUBLE.

GOSH, JOHNNY,
YOU DON'T THINK
THE POLICE WOULD
ARREST ME
WITHOUT EVI-
DENCE, DO
YOU?

THEY WILL IF HE
INSISTS ON MAKING
A CHARGE. THE BEST
THING, TUBBY, WOULD
BE TO FIND THAT
WALLET.

SO YOU'D
BETTER BE UP AT
SUNRISE TO LOOK
FOR IT, AND JOHNNY
QUICK WILL HELP.

I NEED MY
BEAUTY SLEEP
JOHNNY... BUT
IF YOU SAY
SO, I'LL BE
UP.

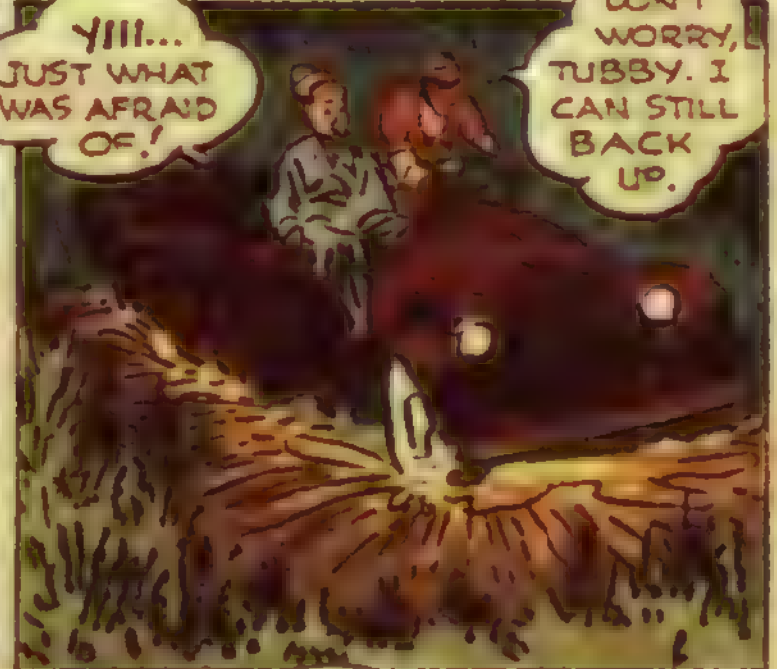
MEANWHILE...

ANY NEWS,
BUTCH?

PLENTY.' DA
COPPERS HAVE GOT
WOID TO PICK YA UP... AND
DERE'S A BIG PICTURE OF
YA IN TOMORROW MORN-
ING'S PAPERS, SAYING
YA'RE WANTED.

PORKY, WE GOTTA
SEE TOMORROW MORN-
ING'S PAPERS DON'T
GET HERE.

THAT MEANS
WE GOTTA MEET
THE EARLY MORNING
TRAIN. WE BETTER
BE UP BEFORE
SEVEN.





AS THE TRACTOR
EDGES FORWARD,
THE KING OF SPEED
BECOMES JUST A
BLUR IN SPACE.

GOSH, HE'S PICKING UP THE LOGS THE TRACTOR
PASSED OVER, AND PUTTING THEM DOWN IN
FRONT AGAIN... AND HE'S DRIVING THE
TRACTOR, TOO.



SOON...

BET HAY WAS
NEVER PUT UP AS
FAST AS THIS
BEFORE.

AND THEN...

DON'T FORGET
TO SEARCH THE
HAYSTACKS TOO,
JOHNNY.

IF NECESSARY,
TUBBY... BUT THAT
WILL TAKE A FEW
SECONDS.



AH,
HERE'S
THE
WALLET.

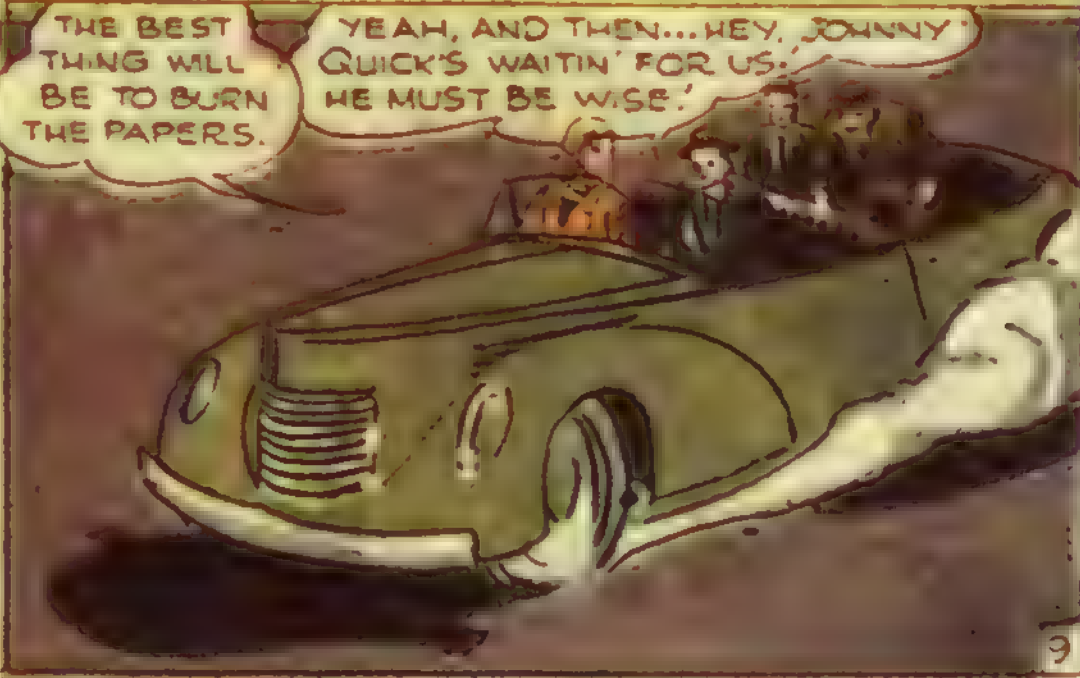
SWELL,
NOW I DON'T
HAVE TO GO
TO JAIL.



SPEAKING OF JAIL, HERE COME A FEW LIKELY PROSPECTS.

THE BEST
THING WILL
BE TO BURN
THE PAPERS.

YEAH, AND THEN... HEY, JOHNNY!
QUICK'S WAITIN' FOR US.
HE MUST BE WISE!





YOU CAN'T GET HIM THAT WAY... HE MOVES TOO FAST.

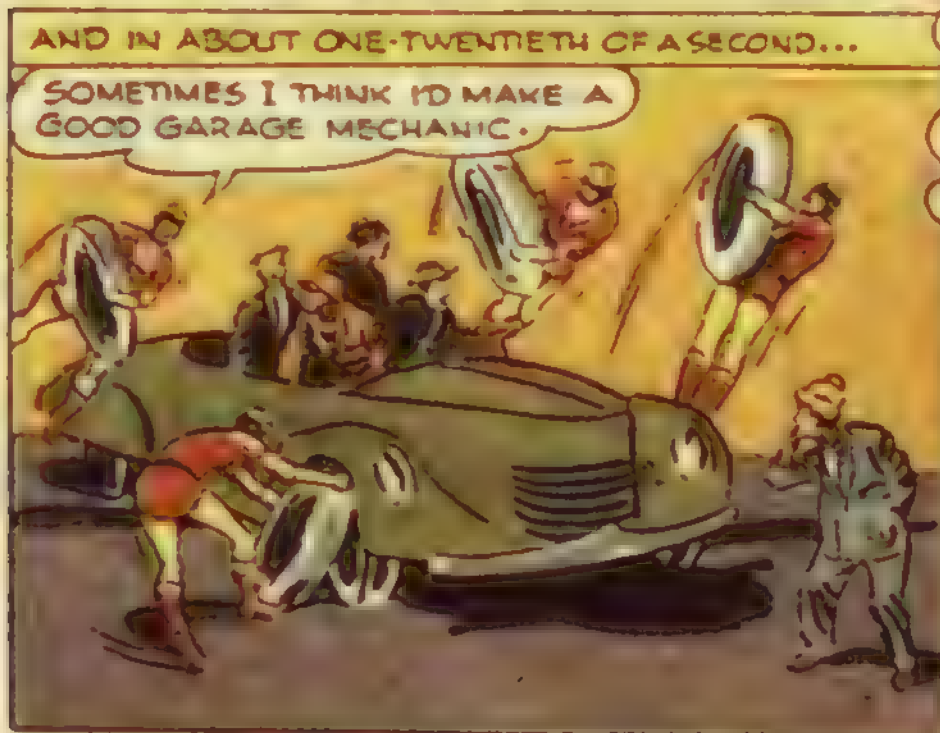
YES, WHILE THAT BUNDLE IS SAILING PAST, I'VE GOT TIME TO READ THE WHOLE FRONT PAGE... NOW I AM WISE.



THEN MAYBE THIS'LL FIX YOU.

YIII... THEY'RE COMING A MILE A MINUTE!

RELAX, TUBBY. I'M GOING TO SHOW THEM SOME REAL SPEED!!



AND IN ABOUT ONE-TWENTIETH OF A SECOND...

SOMETIMES I THINK I'D MAKE A GOOD GARAGE MECHANIC.



ONLY IT'S EASIER TO TAKE THINGS APART THAN TO PUT THEM TOGETHER AGAIN.

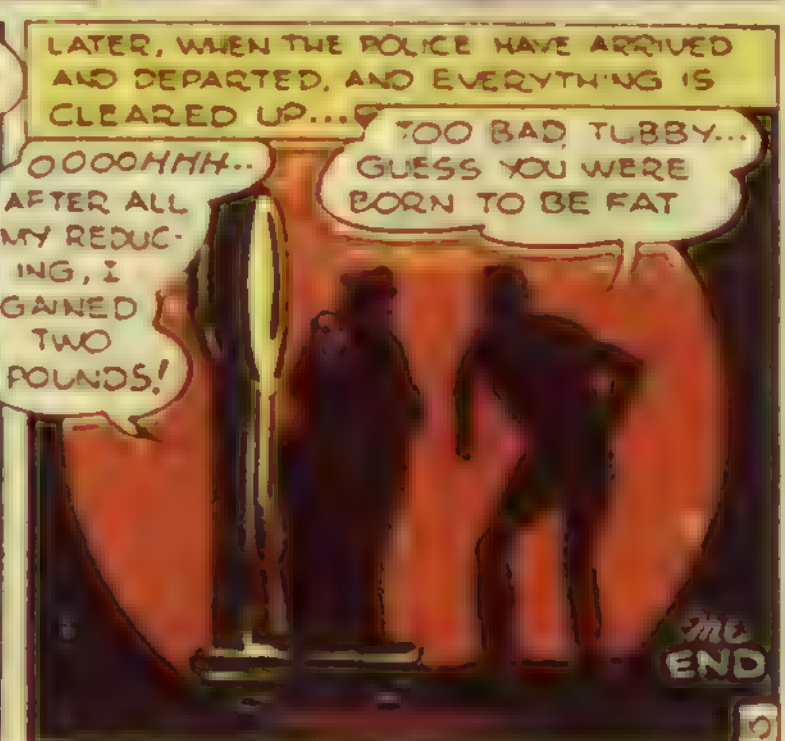
EEHHH... WHAT HAPPENED?



JUST GETTING RID OF THE PARTS THIS CAR CAN SPARE MOST.

YIII...

ARGH...



LATER, WHEN THE POLICE HAVE ARRIVED AND DEPARTED, AND EVERYTHING IS CLEARED UP...

OOOHHH... AFTER ALL MY REDUCING, I GAINED TWO POUNDS!

TOO BAD, TUBBY... GUESS YOU WERE BORN TO BE FAT

THE END



HURRY! HURRY!

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AQUAMAN



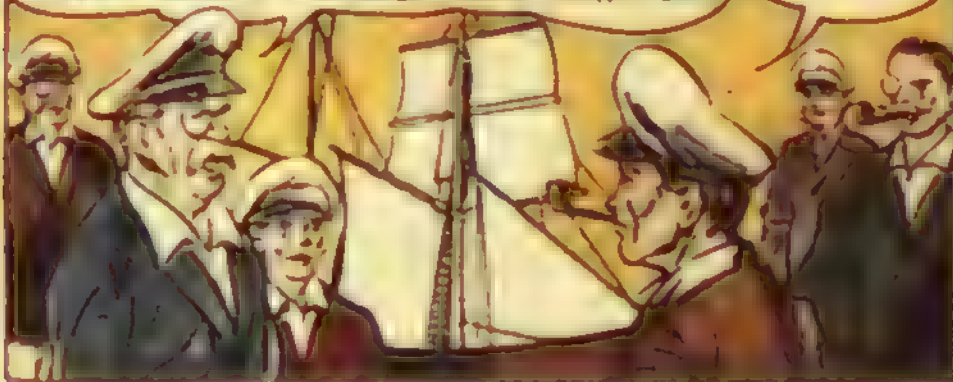
OVER THE STORM-TOSSED SEA SPEEDS A SINGLE SAILOR, READY FOR THE DANGERS OF THE DEEP! BUT THE WORST DISASTERS THAT BEFALL HIM ARE NOT FROM WIND OR WAVES, BUT FROM BOUNDERS WHO MAKE THEIR APPEARANCE ON THE BOUNDING MAIN! AND AQUAMAN, SOVEREIGN OF THE SEAS, SWIMS HEAD-ON INTO A SWARM OF PERILS AS HE TRIES TO MAKE POSSIBLE...

THE IMPOSSIBLE VOYAGE!

AT THE VOYAGER BOAT CLUB, A HOT ARGUMENT REACHES THE BETTING POINT!

BY JOVE, GORDON, YOU CAN NOT SAIL YOUR BOAT SINGLE-HANDED TO THE STATES...AND I'VE A HUNDRED POUNDS THAT SAYS SO!

IT'S A WAGER, BADGER!



I SHALL SET OUT TO WIN YOUR BALLY MONEY THIS MOMENT!

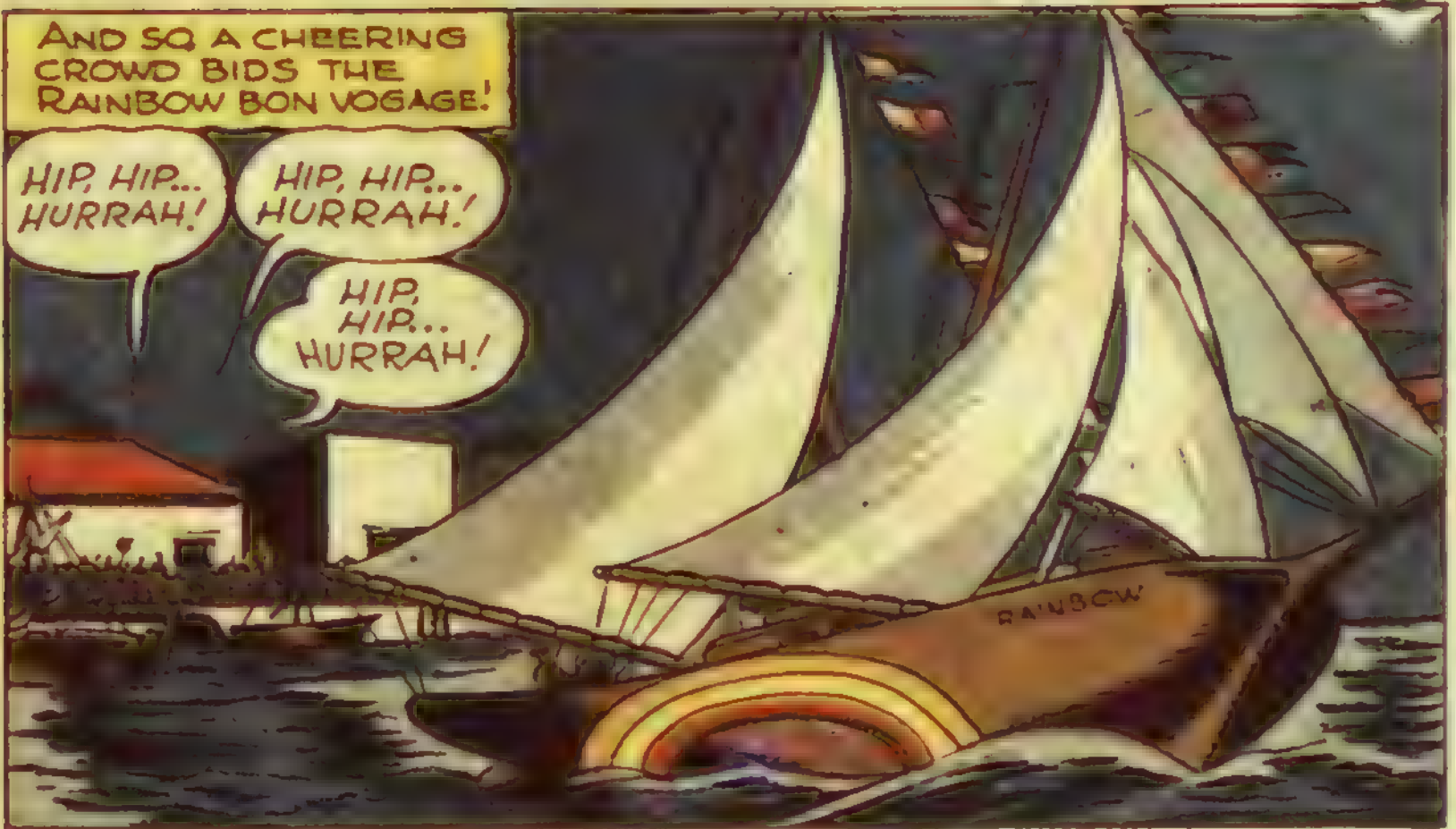


AND SO A CHEERING CROWD BIDS THE RAINBOW BON VOYAGE!

HIP, HIP...
HURRAH!

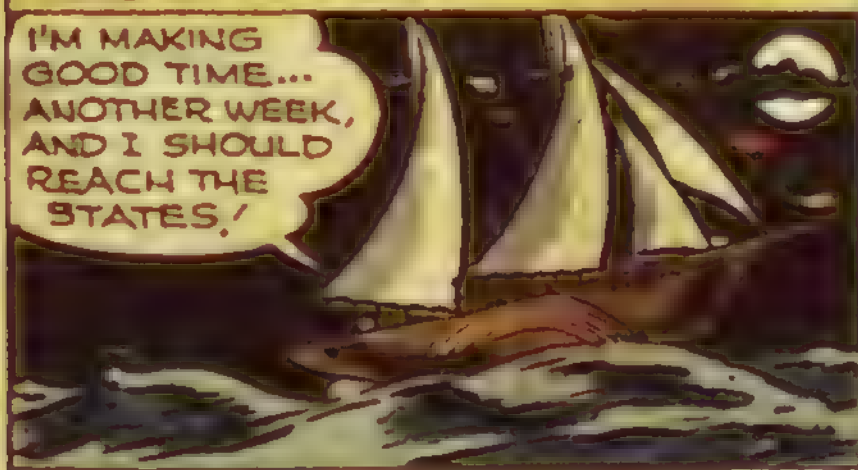
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HURRAH!

HIP,
HIP...
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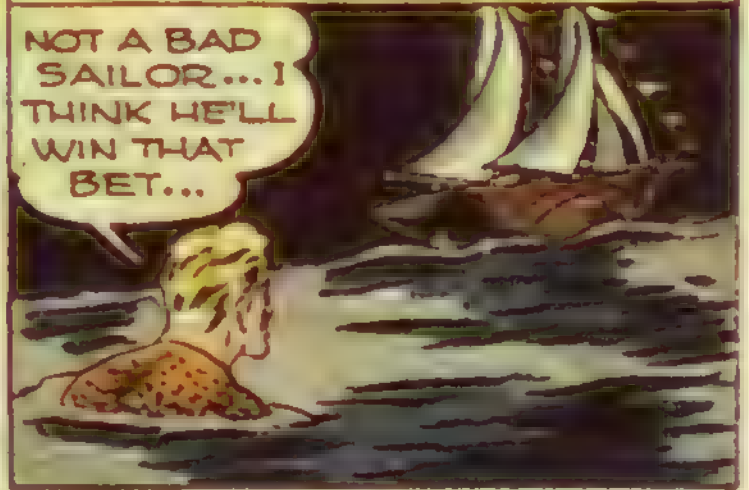
DAY AND NIGHT IT PLOWS ITS WAY FORWARD, THROUGH TOWERING WIND-TOSSED WAVES...

I'M MAKING GOOD TIME... ANOTHER WEEK, AND I SHOULD REACH THE STATES!



AN INTERESTED OBSERVER IS AQUAMAN, MONARCH OF THE DEEP!

NOT A BAD SAILOR... I THINK HE'LL WIN THAT BET...



BUT WHAT'S THAT LAUNCH DOING HERE?

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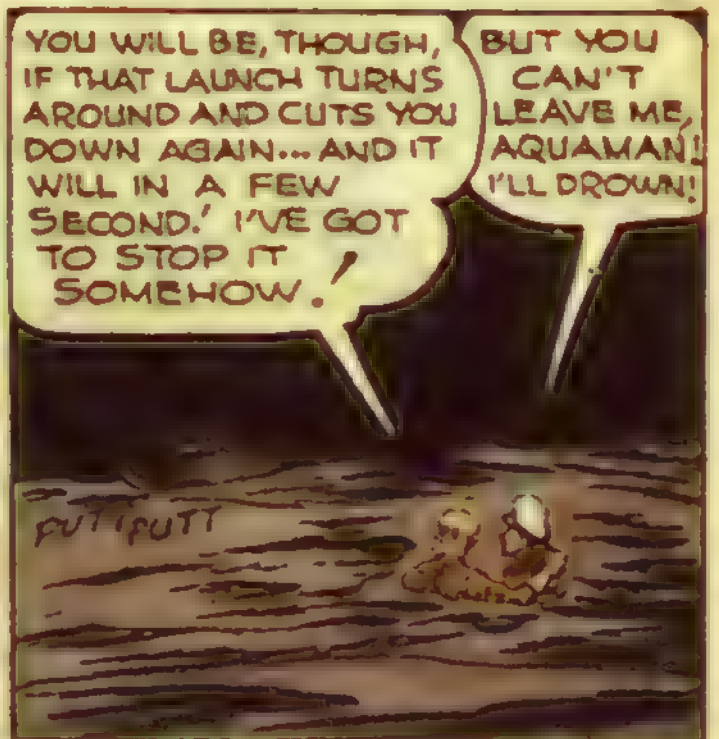


IT DELIBERATELY RAN THE RAINBOW DOWN! TIME FOR AQUAMAN TO GET INTO THIS!



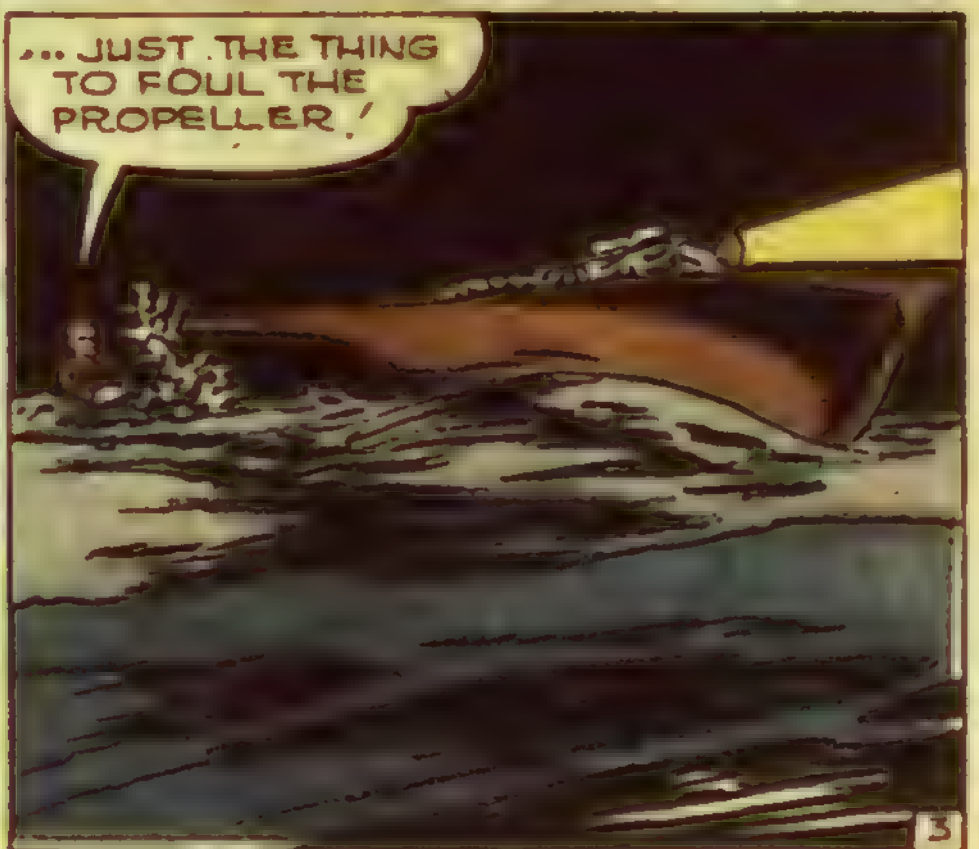
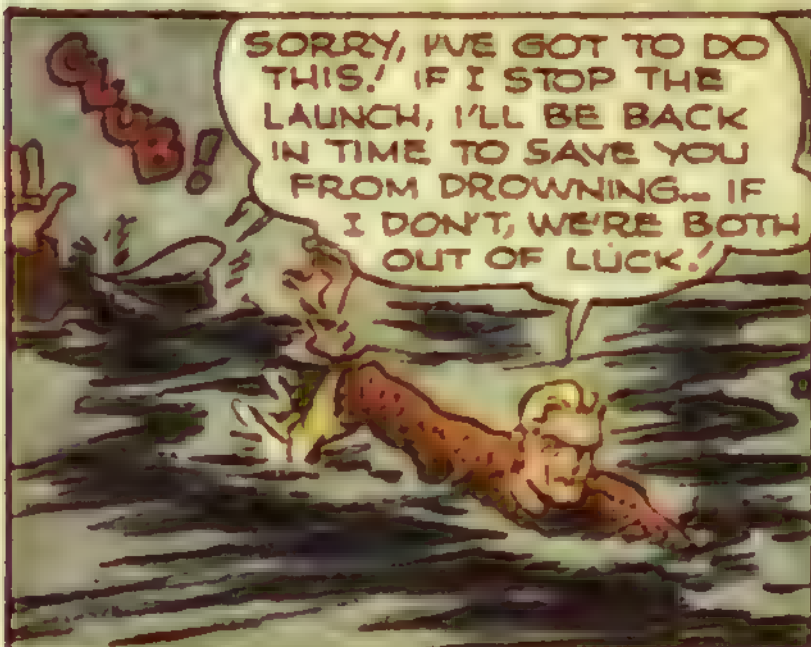


NOT YET...



BUT YOU CAN'T LEAVE ME, AQUAMAN! I'LL DROWN!

PUT! PUT!





AH, IT'S CHEWING UP THE SEA-WEED... BUT IT'S PUT THE PROPELLER OUT OF COMMISSION AND STOPPED THE SHIP! NOW TO SAVE GORDON!



THE SOVEREIGN OF THE SEA DRAGS THE WATER-LOGGED MAN ABOARD THE RAINBOW...

HE'S UNCONSCIOUS... HE'LL NEED ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION!



A HUMAN PULMOTOR, AQUAMAN ADMINISTERS FIRST AID...

AQUAMAN, I HAVEN'T THE SLIGHTEST IDEA WHO'D TRY TO KILL ME! REALLY, OLD CHAP, I HAVEN'T!

SO YOU WON'T TALK, HUH?



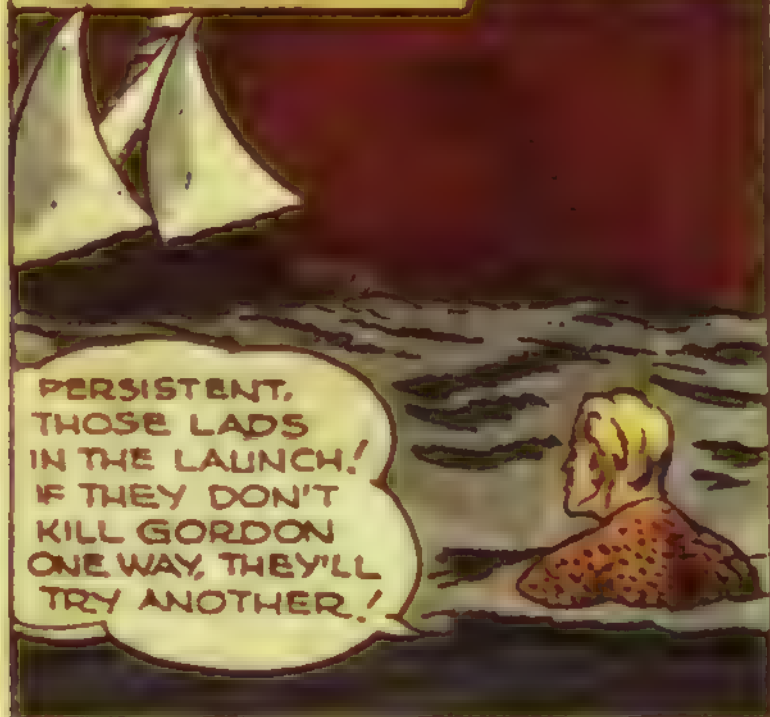
AND WHOEVER'S IN THAT LAUNCH HAS DECIDED TO LEAVE... SO I CAN'T GET ANY INFORMATION THERE EITHER!



SO I'LL HAVE TO FIND OUT THE TRUTH MYSELF. I'LL JUST KEEP MY EYES OPEN...



'NOT A BAD IDEA, AQUAMAN!' THE VERY NEXT DAY...



PERSISTENT, THOSE LADS IN THE LAUNCH! IF THEY DON'T KILL GORDON ONE WAY, THEY'LL TRY ANOTHER!

THE WATER'S POURING IN... THE RAINBOW'S SINKING!

I'VE GOT TO MAKE THEM STOP SHOOTING BEFORE I CAN HELP GORDON... THERE'S JUST ONE WAY...





THE RULER OF THE DEEP ENLISTS THE AID OF SOME OF HIS NUMEROUS SEA-SUBJECTS... AND PRESENTLY...

LOOK, BOSS. SWORDFISH! THEY'RE FILLIN' US FULLA HOLES!

BY JOVE, WE'LL SINK! STOP SHOOTING... WE MUST PLUG THE LEAKS AT ONCE!



THAT'LL HOLD THEM FOR A WHILE! NOW TO SEE HOW GORDON'S MAKING OUT...

QUICK, AQUAMAN... LEND ME A HAND!

THE RAINBOW'S IN NO GREAT DANGER... BUT IF HE THINKS IT'S SINKING, MAYBE HE'LL TALK! I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN LEARN...

ONLY IF YOU TELL THE TRUTH, GORDON! WHO'S TRYING TO SINK THE BOAT?



IT'S BADGER... HE'S AFRAID I'LL WIN THE WAGER!

BADGER? HMMM...



A MAN WHO OWNS A LAUNCH IS WILLING TO COMMIT MURDER TO WIN A BET OF ONLY A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS! SOMETHING'S QUEER... AND I'M GOING TO FIND OUT WHAT IT IS!

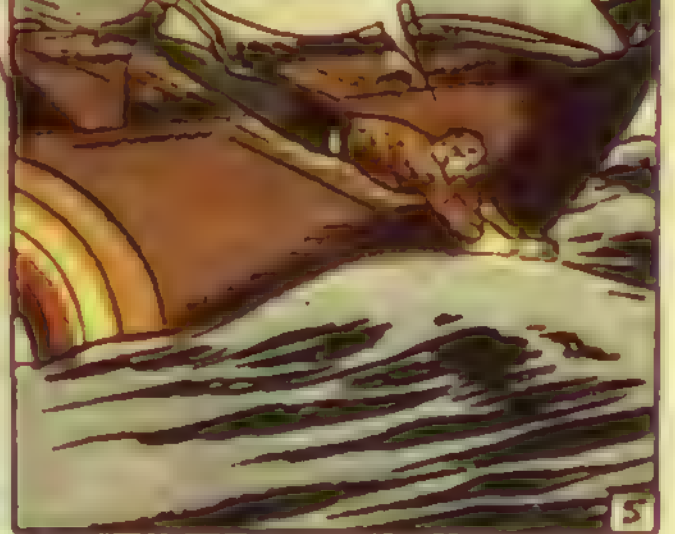


SORRY, GORDON, I CAN'T HELP YOU SAVE THIS BOAT... YOU'LL HAVE TO FINISH THIS TRIP WITHOUT IT!

BUT AQUAMAN... YOU KNOW I CAN HARDLY SWIM!



YOU WON'T HAVE TO SWIM! I'LL FIND YOU A PORPOISE... YOU'LL BE ABLE TO RIDE HOME!





BUT AQUAMAN HAS QUITE ANOTHER PORPOISE... OR SHOULD WE SAY PURPOSE?...IN MIND. PRESENTLY, AS HE WATCHES...

CAN'T LET THESE SINK WITH THE BOAT. I'LL TAKE THEM WITH ME!

JUST AS I THOUGHT. MY MAKING HIM THINK HIS BOAT IS SINKING HAS FORCED HIM TO BETRAY HIMSELF.



SOON HE'LL REALIZE THAT THE BOAT ISN'T SINKING...THEN HE'LL PUT THOSE OBJECTS BACK. I'LL BE READY FOR HIM... THINK I'LL USE THIS STARFISH...



WHAT ARE THOSE MYSTERIOUS OBJECTS THAT EXPLAIN ALL? WE'LL KNOW SOON! AS AQUAMAN MAKES HIS PREPARATIONS...

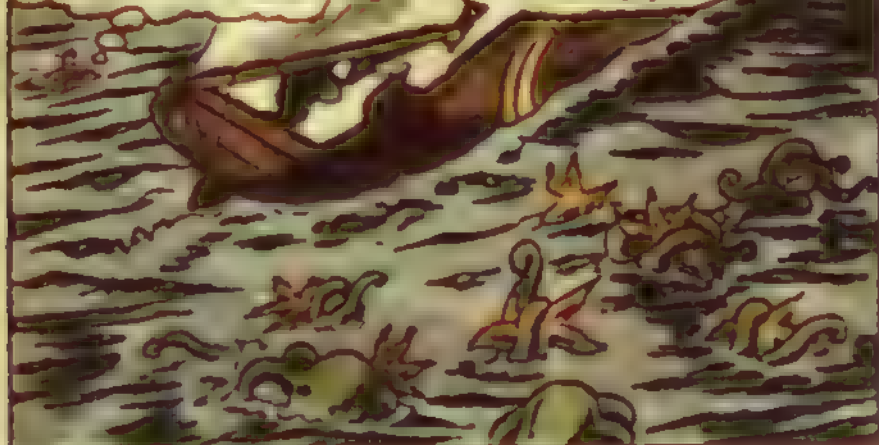
AQUAMAN WAS WRONG...THE RAINBOW CAN BE FIXED UP ALMOST AS GOOD AS NEW!



SUDDENLY...DOZENS OF ARMS THRASH WILDLY ON THE SURFACE OF THE SEA!

THIS FAKE FIGHT OUGHT TO KEEP HIM DISTRACTED FOR A WHILE!

STARFISH AND OCTOPUSES STRUGGLING. I NEVER IMAGINED SUCH A THING!



AS SUDDENLY AS IT HAS BEGUN, THE FIGHT SUBSIDES UNDER ORDERS FROM AQUAMAN! AND THEN, THAT EVENING...

WE GOT HIM COLD, BOSS. HE DON'T SUSPECT A THING!



BUT I DO!

AQUAMAN! GET HIM, BOSS!



NO CHANCE... IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO GO SAILING!





NICE WORK, AQUAMAN... THEY'LL PAY FOR WHAT THEY TRIED TO DO!

SO WILL YOU, GORDON! AQUAMAN, THAT BET WAS A PHONEY... WE ARRANGED IT SO HE'D BE ABLE TO SMUGGLE VALUABLE JEWELS INTO THE STATES! IF HE BECAME A HERO, HIS BOAT WOULDN'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH CUSTOMS!

HE MEANT TO DOUBLE-CROSS ME SO I DECIDED TO DOUBLE-CROSS HIM FIRST, KILL HIM, AND ASSUME HIS IDENTITY!

VERY INTERESTING! THE POLICE WILL BE GLAD TO HEAR IT!

IF YOU LIVE... WHICH YOU WON'T, AQUAMAN, NOW THAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THE JEWELS!

OH, I'VE KNOWN OF THEM FOR SOME TIME! IN FACT, I'VE EVEN REMOVED THEM FROM THEIR HIDING PLACE! TAKE A LOOK!

YOU CAN'T FOOL ME, AQUAMAN... I'M NOT GOING TO TURN MY EYES FROM YOU FOR A SECOND...

YIII...AN ELECTRIC EEL!

YES, I SUBSTITUTED THAT FOR THE JEWELS... JUST IN CASE OF EMERGENCY!

AND I'VE GOT EXTRA EELS FOR YOU HEELS TOO!

OWWWW!

OOOHHH!

THUS, WHEN THE RAINBOW FINALLY MAKES PORT... THOSE CHEERS WOULD HAVE BEEN FOR YOU, GORDON... IF YOU HAD BEEN HONEST! TOO BAD CROOKS LIKE YOU NEVER LEARN!

HURRAY FOR AQUAMAN!

DRUMS OF DOOM

By AL SINGER

BUZZY BENTON beat happily on his kettle-drums. He was glad to be a civilian again, out of the Navy, and back beating the skins for the patrons of the Blue Grotto. The place was jammed tonight, too, as it had been every night since Buzzy had returned from the Pacific.

But now war was only a vague memory to the irrepressible Buzzy, who had done his stint as a signalman. He was a jive fiend, a lep drummer. He yowled happily at the crowd, and they hollered right back. Buzzy grinned, waved to friends dancing in front of the bandstand. He deftly threw his sticks into the air, caught them and began banging again.

It was a great life, he thought, every man to his own job. Take Danny Mulcahy, now, his old Navy sidekick. Danny was back on the force, in plainclothes again. Buzzy hadn't seen him for a couple of nights for Danny was busy trying to catch up with a holdup gang that had been doing some jobs around the Main Stem. The cops hadn't been able to catch them. But Danny would. Buzzy thought happily! Danny was a smart guy! His old pal, Danny.

Buzzy beamed again, swung into the rhythms of "One O'Clock Jump." It was made to order for him, just as was his rendition of the Bolero. This latter number was always a high spot of the evening's performance.

The night wore on until the clock stood at one. But Buzzy wasn't tired. He was a little disappointed. He had looked forward to eating a late supper with Detective Dan, but now it looked as if Danny boy wouldn't show up.

The boys had been taking ten and now they were climbing back on the stand, ready for the last hour of dancing. Buzzy moved toward the stand. The club was still crowded and Bernie Blair, the owner, was standing

in front of the office, rubbing his hands. Tonight's take was something! Two men in evening clothes were walking toward Bernie as Buzzy reached the stand.

Buzzy turned away, climbed behind his drums. Then he shook his head in disbelief. A stranger was sitting beside him, in the seat usually occupied by Artie Wallace, the guitarist. "A drunk," Buzzy concluded, "the guy must be drunk." He was in evening clothes, too.

Smiling, Buzzy went over. "You can't sit there, mister," he said.

The man smiled at him, thin-lipped. "This says I can, sonny boy," he said.

Buzzy blinked. A murderous looking .32 was in the stranger's hand! And the stranger was saying: "This is a wonderful place for a lookout, Buzzy! The joint is being stuck up right now, and that owner better take it easy and open the safe. We know what's in it."

Buzzy's face whitened. His throat felt dry. His eyes, moving office-ward, saw Benny walking through the door. Behind him were the two strangers. "A stick-up!" he choked. "But . . ."

"I can play these two instruments—a guitar and a gun," the stranger said. "And your regular man is just out cold and tied up in the linen room. You do as you're told and you'll be okay, too."

The man had murderous eyes. Buzzy was no fool. He sat down. Then he started; for coming through the door was Danny Mulcahy! He was checking his coat. Buzzy, for a moment, had a wild impulse to call out. Then he realized innocent people would be hurt.

"Start working on those drums," the stranger said. "Let us have music!" He laughed curtly. "Buzzy Benton and his music with a message!"

Buzzy looked at him. Then his eyes went

to Danny, who was working his way to a front table. The detective waved. Buzzy waved back. Thank goodness this mob didn't know about Danny.

But what was happening in the office? He hoped Benny had sense enough to hand over the dough. His eyes caught those of the stranger. The latter nodded. Buzzy nodded back and sat down at his drums.

He grinned, and to all intents and purposes he didn't have a care in the world.

The crowd cried out, "What's cooking, Buzzy?"

"Music with a message!" Buzzy shouted back happily. "Music with a message!" He howled with glee. "Bolero!"

The crowd roared back its approval. The lights dimmed and Buzzy went into his act. Ravel's Bolero, played as only he could play it. "Something different," Buzzy called out to the silent crowd, "something different."

He started the drums. There was no guitar part so the stranger sat silently, watching Buzzy's antics. Buzzy pounded on the kettle-drums, soft, weird rhythms, like a jungle drum sending out a message of war.

Buzzy bent over the drums. Perspiration broke out on his forehead as he worked the batons. *Boom . . . diddy . . . boom . . . boom . . . diddy . . . boom . . .* Then the mood changed, became staccato . . . weird.

Even the musicians turned to watch him. This was really something different. Buzzy was changing the rhythm of a masterpiece! The crowd sensed it, too, and as he went through an extremely difficult passage, applause rippled through the room.

Still Buzzy went on. He couldn't see now, for the smart room was darkened. There was nothing except the spotlight, showing blueely on Buzzy. Somehow, he sensed rather than saw, that the stranger with the guitar was gone. It was agony going through the number, then transposing the beat, waiting for the rest of the band to catch up with him.

Then at last it was over. The lights came up. Buzzy held his breath. As he had ex-

pected, the stranger was gone. But Detective Danny Mulcahy was still sitting there!

Buzzy's heart sank. All that music gone for nothing! By now those guys had taken the night's receipts and made off in one of the cleverest jobs ever pulled.

Buzzy shook his head. Why, that wasn't Danny sitting at the ringside table. It was Ace Martin, the columnist. He must have come in when the place was dark.

"Oh, Danny boy," Buzzy breathed, "you got it! You got it!" Anxiety was in his every feature, but he managed to suffer through the number. Then, to the surprised musicians he said, "Take five!"

He had to find out what had happened to Benny. And Danny.

He rushed from the stand, then stopped. Danny was coming through the front door. He was mopping his face. Buzzy rushed to him, a questioning look in his eyes. "You get 'em?"

"Yeah," grinned Danny. He had a couple of money bags in his hand. "Where's Benny?"

They went into the office. Benny was there, bound and gagged. He goggled when he saw the money.

"Those crooks," he gasped, "You got them?" It was almost unbelievable.

"Sure I got 'em!" Danny grinned. "Me and a prowler car was waiting outside for them when they came out with the dough."

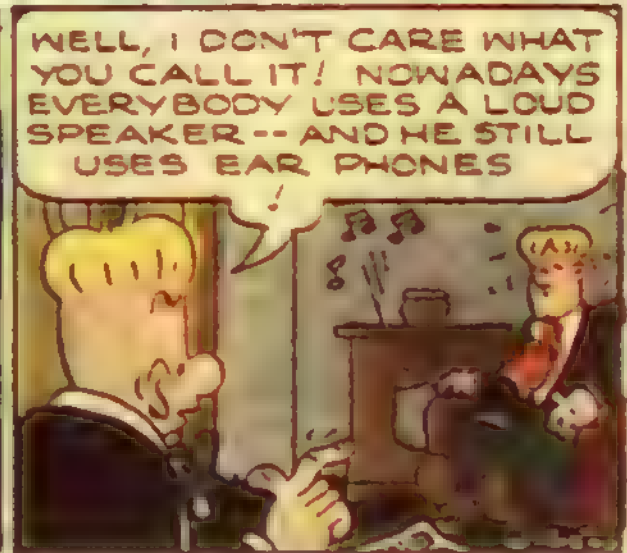
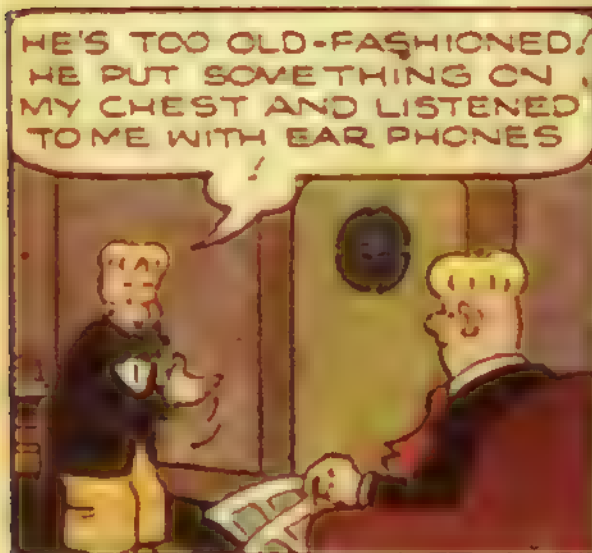
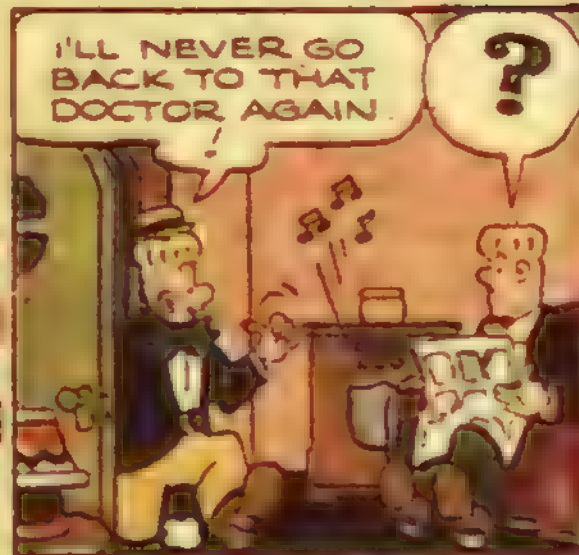
It was too much for Benny. He leaned against the desk. "How'd you know they were going to stick up my place tonight, Dan?" he asked.

"I didn't," Danny grinned. "But when Buzzy started the 'Bolero' and then began to use a Morse code, dot and dash rhythm he told me what was going on." The detective clapped the happy Buzzy on the shoulder. "We worked together as signalmen in the Navy and we used the Morse code to drum messages to each other for fun and practice."

Buzzy beamed happily. "And we're still working together, Danny boy," he said. "Come on, let's make music, shipmate! Let's show 'em something different!"



DAFFY & DOODLE



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FLEER'S DUBBLE BUBBLE GUM

DUBBLE BUBBLE IS THE BERRIES!

LET TUCE GO OUT AND GET SOME. IT'S THE BEST-TASTING CHEWIEST GUM!

DUBBLE BUBBLE BEETS ALL FOR SIZE... AND IT ONLY COSTS A CENT!

I'VE BEAN SAYING THAT ALL THE TIME!

SCENT IS RIGHT. YOU SURE KNOW YOUR ONIONS!

AND I KNOW THAT DUBBLE BUBBLE COMES WRAPPED IN A SHEET OF FUNNIES!

YESSIR, IT'S DOGGONE GOOD GUM!

AND FLEER'S CANDY COATED GUM IS THE CAT'S WHISKERS, TOO!

NOT MUCH AROUND YET, BUT MIGHTY GOOD!

The SHINING KNIGHT



ON SQUARES OF DEATH AND DESTRUCTION, THE BLACK QUEEN MAKES HER MOVES. TO DEFEY HER IS TO BATTLE FOR LIFE ITSELF IN A QUEER GAME WHERE ONE MISQUE WOULD BE FATAL.

BUT DARING ALL ODDS, SPURRING HIS WINGED STEED, VICTORY INTO COMBAT, COMES SIR JUSTIN, TO DO BATTLE WITH THE CHESS QUEEN AND STAKE HIS ALL ON...

The Knight's Gambit!

IN THE ARTS MUSEUM, BRILLIANT AGAINST A BACKDROP OF THIRTEENTH CENTURY PERSIA, IS A JEWELLED CHESS SET...

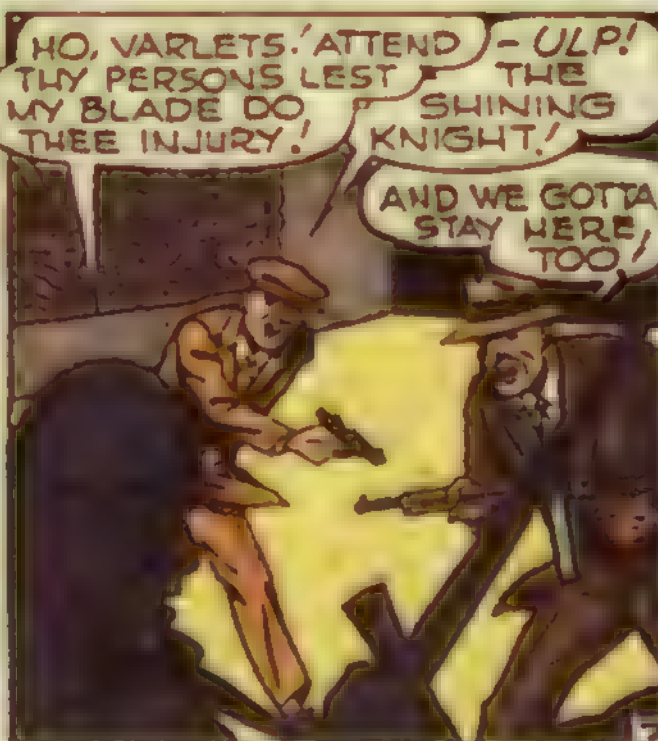
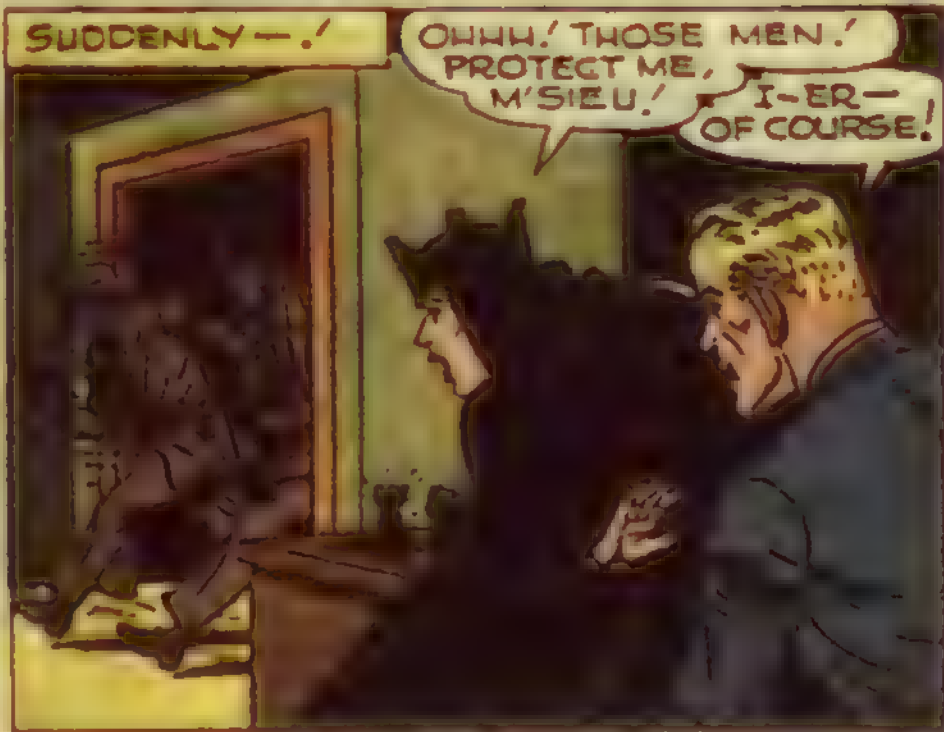
A WONDERFUL COLLECTION JUSTIN. A SHAH OF EARLY PERSIA PLAYED HIS CHESS! MATCHES WITH THESE PIECES!

YES, YES. MOST UNUSUAL...



WHAT A STRANGE GIRL. SHE IS EERIE, AND REMINDS ME OF A CHESS PIECE HERSELF - THE BLACK QUEEN!





'TIS THUS WE KNIGHTS
ARE USED TO COLLECTING
A "POLL" TAX... ON THE
POLL ITSELF!

AWK!



AND THEE Y'LL MAKE THE
"BUTT" OF THE
JOKE!

OOOF!



IN CASE THY UNDER-
STANDING IS SLOW, I'LL
OFFER THEE A TASTE
OF MY PUNCH TO
HASTEN MATTERS!



THAT TAKES CARE
OF THESE
VARLETS!

HOW NOBLE,
HOW BRAVE!
MY HERO, THE
SHINING
KNIGHT.



'TIS NOTHING.
I—

THE BEVERLY EMERALDS!
THEIR CASE IS BROKEN
AND THEY ARE GONE!



IT SOUNDS LIKE
"CHECKMATE" TO
YOU, SIR
KNIGHT.

WHILE I PUR-
SUED THESE
MEN, ANOTHER
MUST HAVE SLIPPED
IN AND OUT!



SOMETIME LATER...

'T WAS A CLEVER
TRICK, TO

ENGAGE ALL OUR ATTENTION
UPON TWO ROGUES WHILE
ANOTHER DID THE REAL
DAMAGE. IT SMACKS OF
CHESS TECHNIQUE,
WHERE A BLIND LEAD
MASKS A DARING
ATTACK.



THE BEVERLY EMERALDS, WORTH HALF A MILLION DOLLARS! I SHALL DO!

CHESS? THAT GIRL—WHO LOOKED LIKE THE BLACK QUEEN—WHO CALLED OUT 'CHECKMATE' TO ME! SHE IS AN EXPERT PLAYER—SHE WAS ON HAND TO DELAY ANYONE WHO MIGHT FIGHT—PERHAPS SHE PLANNED THE JOB!

THE FOLLOWING MORNING, AT THE OFFICES OF THE DAILY COURIER...

I WANT INFORMATION CONNECTED WITH LADY CHESS PLAYERS, PICTURES, TOO. THAT'LL BE IN OUR CHESS FILE. ONE MOMENT, PLEASE.

AFTER TWO HOURS OF BROWSING IN BOOKS AND OLD PAPERS...

BY MERLIN'S BEARD, 'TIS THE BLACK QUEEN, HERSELF!

DAILY COURIER
FOREIGN
CHESS EXPERT
A BEAUTY.

IN THE MEANWHILE, ALONG A ROCKY COAST OF THE EASTERN SEABOARD...

YOU—YOU GOT 'EM. JUST LIKE YOU SAID YOU WOULD!

I NEVER FAIL!

WHEN I AGREED TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR CRIMES, I DID NOT EXPECT TO BE SEEN BY ANYONE DANGEROUS. THE SHINING KNIGHT SAW ME AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME. HE MAY DETECT THE CHESS MOTIF BEHIND IT.

SO WHAT?

MY LIKENESS MUST BE REMOVED FROM FILES OF VARIOUS NEWSPAPERS. IT MUST BE ATTENDED TO AT ONCE. OTHERWISE HE WILL RECOGNIZE ME AS OLGA ROMANOFF, THE CHESS WIZARD!

I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT MYSELF...

BUT THE BLACK QUEEN'S MESSENGER LEARNS DISTURBING NEWS...

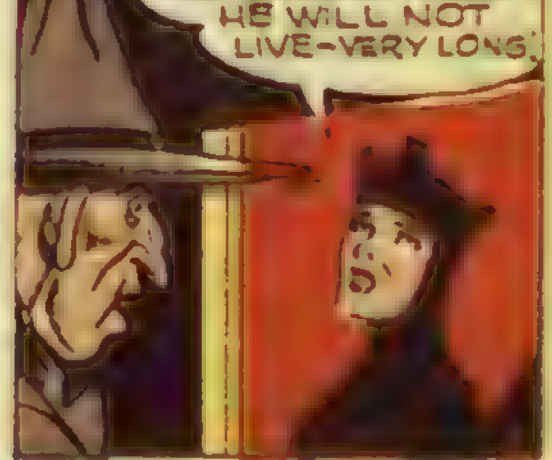
WHAT'S DOING, MAC? SOME GUY WAS JUST HERE, ASKING ABOUT LADY CHESSPLAYERS. AND NOW YOU COME ALONG WITH THE SAME REQUEST—

HUH?

WE'RE TOO LATE! SOME-BODY WAS THERE BEFORE ME! PROBABLY THE SHINING KNIGHT! HE KNOWS YOU!

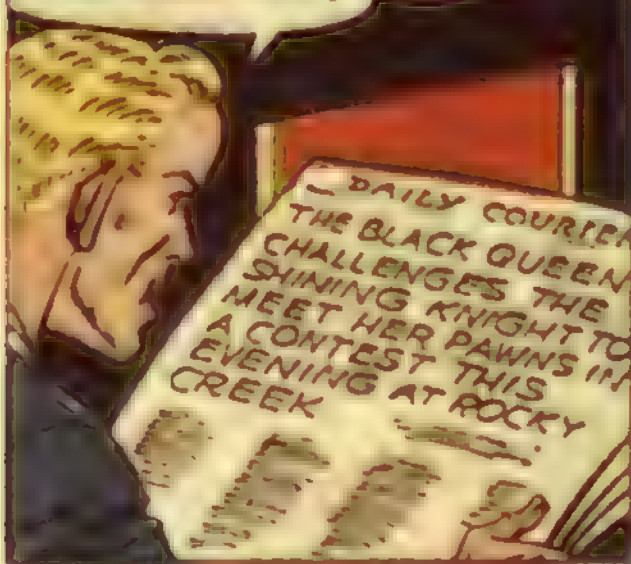
IN THAT EVENT, WE MUST ASK HIM TO PAY US A VISIT!

ARE YOU CRAZY? YOU ARE THE SHINING KNIGHT—FAMILIAR WITH THE BLACK QUEEN, IVAN. I HAVE TRICKS TO PLAY ON THE SHINING KNIGHT. HE WILL NOT LIVE—VERY LONG!



THE NEXT MORNING...

HE THINKS 'T WILL BE A FINAL CHECKMATE, THIS MEETING!



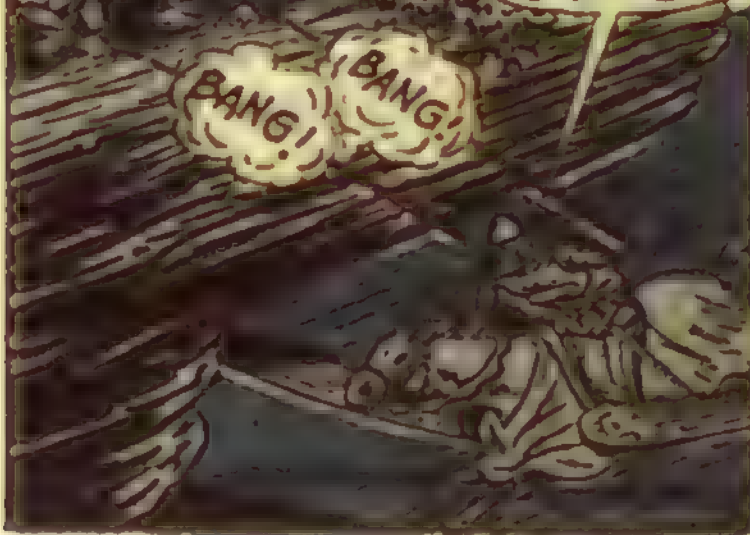
THAT NIGHT THE HOOVES OF VICTORY STRIKE SPARKS FROM THE STONES OF ROCKY CREEK...

THERE HE IS! THE QUEEN NOW! PROMISED US A BONUS FOR THIS JOB!



MISSED HIM!

BY MY TROTH! THESE ARE CLUMSY KNAVES TO FIRE BEFORE THEY HAVE ME IN THEIR SIGHTS!



HE'S UNDER THE ROCK!

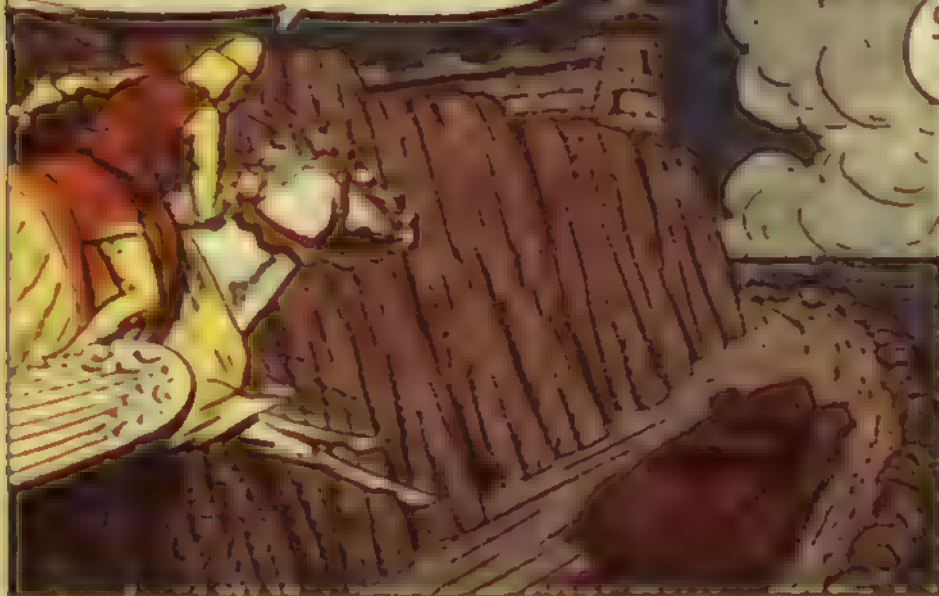
AND KNOCKIN' OUR GUNS AWAY!



WITHOUT THEIR ARMS, THEY WILL BE PAWNS INDEED!



AND AS PAWNS, THEY LEAD
ME RIGHT TO THEIR QUEEN'S
SQUARE— THAT CASTLE!

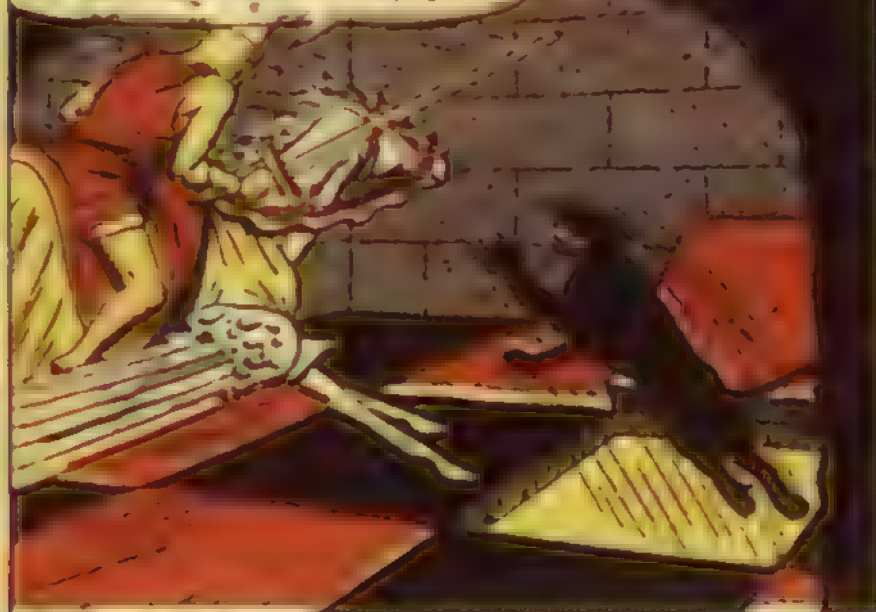


INSIDE THE CASTLE...

GREETINGS, KNIGHT. YOU
HAVE COME TO TAKE THE
QUEEN. BUT YOU MUST CROSS
THE SQUARES BELOW TO GET TO
HER SQUARE. TAKE THEM—
IF YOU CAN!

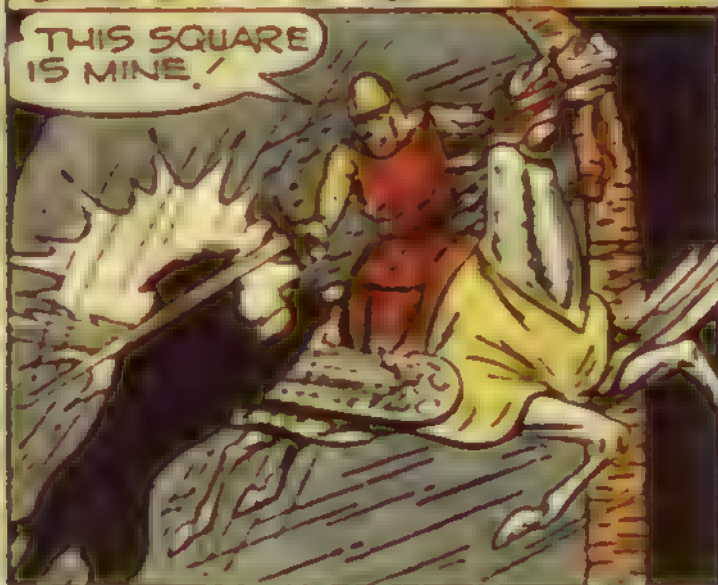


ZOUNDS, BUT THE BLACK QUEEN
HAS STRANGE CHESSMEN!
A BLACK PANTHER—



EVEN AS VICTORY SCREAMS IN
FRIGHT AT THE MUSKY SMELL OF
THE BIG FELINE, SHINING KNIGHT'S
BLADE FLASHES ONCE...

THIS SQUARE
IS MINE!



A FIRE LIKE THE SUN
ITSELF! VICTORY—QUICK,
BEFORE WE FALL!



IF YOU HAD DIPPED
YOUR WINGS, THE
HEAT WOULD HAVE
BURNED THEM, VICTORY—
BUT BY HOLDING THEM
STRAIGHT, THE UPDRAFT
OF HOT AIR LIFTED US
ABOVE THE FIRE!



A FLOOD OF WATER! HA,
METHINKS THE BLACK
QUEEN HAS MADE HER
WRONG MOVE. 'TIS TIME
FOR ME TO MAKE THE
KNIGHT'S GAMBIT!



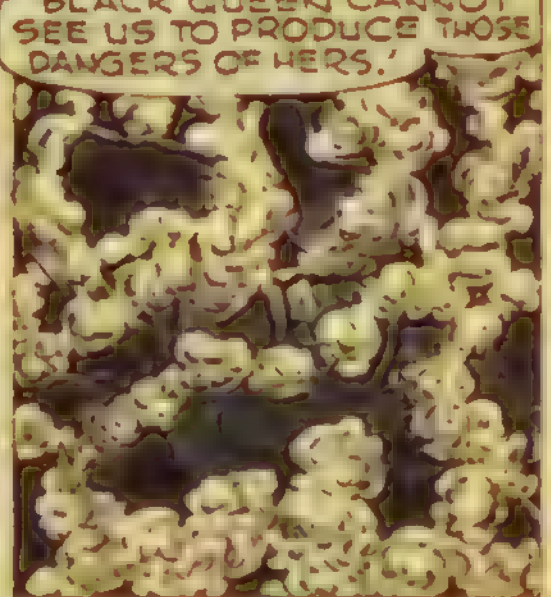
MY MAGIC BLADE WILL MAKE SHORT WORK OF THIS DOOR WE JUST CAME THROUGH...



THE WATER WILL MEET THE FIRE, AND PRODUCE STEAM! GREAT, ROLLING CLOUDS OF STEAM, VICTORY!



AND WE CAN MOVE SO WELL HIDDEN IN THE STEAM THAT THE BLACK QUEEN CANNOT SEE US TO PRODUCE THOSE DANGERS OF HERS!



BY MY TROTH! NOW YIELD. BLACK QUEEN—

YOU ARE A CLEVER PLAYER, KNIGHT, BUT YOU FORGOT ONE THING— THAT THE QUEEN IS THE STRONGEST PIECE IN A GAME OF CHESS.



THE BLACK QUEEN THROWS A LEVER, AND BOLTS OF LIGHTNING LEAP FROM HIDDEN GENERATORS...

CHECKMATE, SIR KNIGHT! WE DIE TOGETHER—

NOT SO.



MY TRUSTY BLADE IS THE NEAREST METAL TO THOSE GENERATORS. IT ABSORBS THE LIGHTNING—JUST AS A REGULAR LIGHTNING ROD DOES.



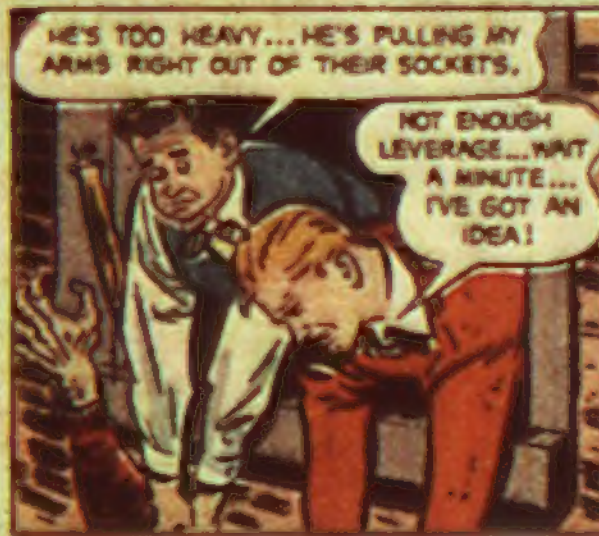
SO TODAY A WOMAN SITS IN PRISON, GAZING ALWAYS AT A PHOSPHOROUS-COATED CHESSPIECE...

MY SHINING KNIGHT! SOME DAY I SHALL MEET YOU AGAIN— SOMEWHERE— IT MAY BE DIFFERENT, THEN...



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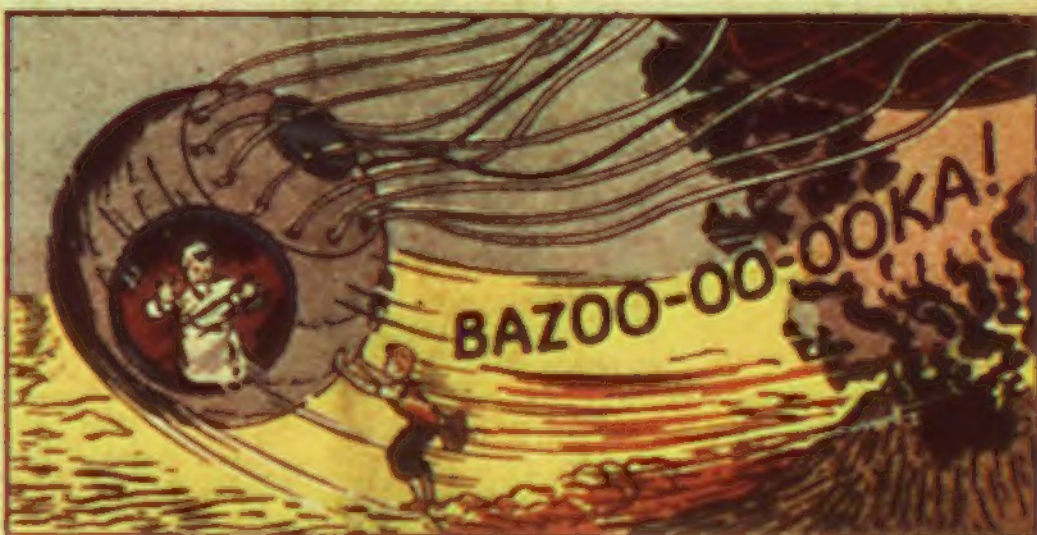


2,000 MILES AWAY!

LOST, EH? NOT WHILE I HAVE MY "BAZOOKA-SHOES"! QUICK, "H," HELP ME PUT THEM ON. I'VE GOT TO TRAVEL!



2,000 MILES IN 2 MINUTES! CAN THOM DO IT? JUST WATCH!



BOY, YOU SAVED OUR LIVES...AND PRECIOUS SCIENTIFIC RECORDS!! NOW CAN YOU FLY TO THE NEAREST TOWN?

NO. MY MAGIC "BAZOOKA-SHOES" ARE ONLY GOOD WHEN THERE'S DANGER. BUT MY EVERYDAY THOM McAN SHOES ARE GOOD ALL THE TIME. I'LL CHANGE TO THEM AND WALK.



GOLLY, YOU MUST WEAR THOM McANS, TOO!

INDEED, WE SCIENTISTS ARE VERY PARTICULAR ABOUT EVERYTHING--EVEN THE SHOES WE WEAR. AND WE FIND THOM McANS BETTER SHOES FOR LESS MONEY.



AH! A TOWN! THAT DIDN'T TAKE LONG.

SURE, THE MILES ALWAYS SEEM TO FLY WHEN YOU'RE WEARING THOM McANS!



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